



**LORD of LOVE**  
*Lutheran Church*

**Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost**



**“Take Courage!”**



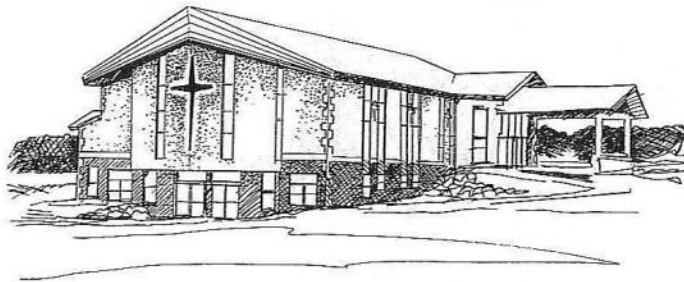
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**“I rejoiced with those who said to me,  
‘Let us go to the house of the LORD.’”  
Psalm 122:1**



*Today's 9:00 service will be recorded including the Service of the Sacrament.  
Individuals taking communion will not be visible in the recording.*

# Lord of Love Lutheran Church

August 4, 2024

## THE COMMON SERVICE

OPENING HYMN (Sung by quartet)

Onward, Christian Soldiers

*The words are printed below for you to follow as the quartet sings the hymn.*

**Onward, Christian soldiers, Marching as to war,  
With the cross of Jesus Going on before.  
Christ, the royal master, Leads against the foe;  
Forward into battle See his banners go!**

*Refrain:*

**Onward, Christian soldiers, Marching as to war,  
With the cross of Jesus Going on before.**

**Like a mighty army Moves the Church of God;  
Brothers, we are treading Where the saints have trod.  
We are not divided, All one body we,  
One in hope and doctrine, One in charity.**

*Refrain*

**Crowns and thrones may perish, Kingdoms rise and wane,  
But the Church of Jesus Constant will remain.  
Gates of hell can never 'Gainst that Church prevail;  
We have Christ's own promise, And that cannot fail.**

*Refrain*

**Onward, then, ye people; Join the happy throng,  
Blend with ours your voices In the triumph song:  
Glory, laud, and honor Unto Christ the King;  
This through countless ages Men and angels sing.**

*Refrain*

**M:** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



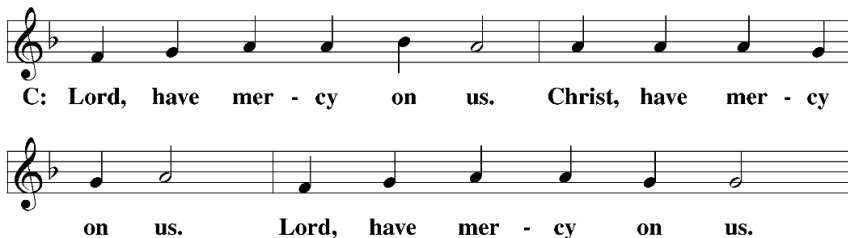
## CONFESSION OF SINS

**M:** Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**C:** **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

## LORD, HAVE MERCY

*Kyrie*



**M:** God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.



## PRAYER AND PRAISE

**M:** In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

**C: (Sung)** How sweet the name of Jesus sounds  
In a believer's ear!  
It soothes our sorrows, heals our wounds,  
And drives away all fear.

It makes the wounded spirit whole  
And calms the heart's unrest;  
'Tis manna to the hungry soul  
And to the weary, rest.

Dear name! The rock on which I build,  
My shield and hiding place,  
My never-failing treasury filled  
With boundless stores of grace. (CW 358:1-3)

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**M:** The Lord be with you.



**C:** And al - so with you.

**M:** Let us pray.

Almighty and most merciful God, the protector of all who trust in you, strengthen our faith, and give us courage to believe that in your love you will rescue us from all adversities; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C:** A - - men.

## THE WORD

### FIRST LESSON

2 Kings 6:8-17

**ALL:** <sup>8</sup> Now when the king of Aram was waging war against Israel, he would make plans with his officials, saying, “My camp will be at such and such a place.” <sup>9</sup> But the man of God would send a message to the king of Israel, saying, “Be careful when you pass this place because the Arameans are going down there.” <sup>10</sup> So the king of Israel would send scouts to the place that the man of God had pointed out. So the man of God warned him, and he was kept safe—and not just once or twice.

**PASTOR:** <sup>11</sup> The king of Aram was enraged because of this. He summoned his officials and said to them, “Won’t you tell me who of us is for the king of Israel?” <sup>12</sup> One of his officials said, “No, my lord the king. It is Elisha, the prophet in Israel, who tells the king of Israel the words which you speak in your bedroom.” <sup>13</sup> Then he said, “Go and see where he is. Then I’ll send men and capture him.” He was told, “Dothan is where he is.” <sup>14</sup> So he sent horses and chariots and a strong force there. They came at night and surrounded the city.

**ALL:** <sup>15</sup> When the man of God’s servant got up early and went out, there were soldiers, horses, and chariots surrounding the city. So his attendant said to Elisha, “Oh no, my lord! What will we do?” <sup>16</sup> He answered, “Don’t be afraid, for those who are with us are more than those who are with them.” <sup>17</sup> Then Elisha prayed and said, “O LORD, open his eyes so that he can see.” Then the LORD opened the servant’s eyes, and he saw that the hills were full of horses and chariots of fire, all around Elisha.

### SECOND LESSON

2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18

<sup>6</sup> You see, I am already being poured out like a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. <sup>7</sup> I have fought the good fight; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith. <sup>8</sup> From now on, there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness. The Lord, the righteous Judge, will give it to me on that day, and not only to me but also to everyone who loved his appearing...<sup>16</sup> At my first hearing, no one came to my defense, but everyone deserted me. May it not be counted against them. <sup>17</sup> But the Lord stood by me and strengthened me, so that through me the message would be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles would hear it, and I was rescued from the lion’s mouth. <sup>18</sup> The Lord will rescue me from every evil work and will bring me safely into his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** Alleluia. Jesus spoke to them and said, “Take courage! It is I. Don’t be afraid.” Alleluia.

STAND

## GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 6:45-56

*<sup>45</sup> Immediately Jesus made his disciples get into the boat and go ahead to the other side, to Bethsaida, while he himself dismissed the crowd. <sup>46</sup> After he had sent them off, he went up the mountain to pray.*

*<sup>47</sup> When it was evening, the boat was in the middle of the sea, and Jesus was alone on the land. <sup>48</sup> He saw them straining at the oars, because the wind was against them. About the fourth watch of the night, he went to them, walking on the sea. He was ready to pass by them. <sup>49</sup> When they saw him walking on the sea, they thought he was a ghost, and they cried out. <sup>50</sup> They all saw him and were terrified. Immediately he spoke with them and said, “Take courage! It is I. Do not be afraid.” <sup>51</sup> Then he climbed up into the boat with them, and the wind stopped. They were completely amazed, <sup>52</sup> because they had not understood about the loaves. Instead, their hearts were hardened.*

*<sup>53</sup> When they had crossed over, they landed at Gennesaret and anchored there. <sup>54</sup> As soon as they stepped out of the boat, people recognized Jesus. <sup>55</sup> They ran around that whole region and began to bring sick people on their stretchers to where they heard he was. <sup>56</sup> Wherever he entered villages, cities, or the countryside, they were laying sick people in the marketplaces and pleading with him that they might just touch the edge of his garment. And all who touched it were made well.*

## NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one being with the Father.**

**Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,  
and became fully human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.**

**He suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.**

**He ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,**

**the Lord, the giver of life,**

**who proceeds from the Father and the Son,**

**who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,**

**who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.**

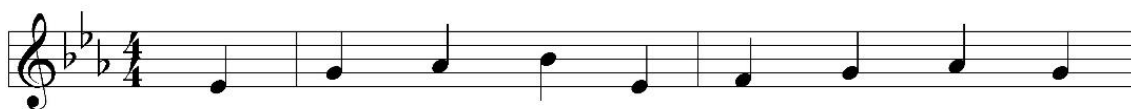
**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead**

**and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

*BE SEATED*





1 God moves in a mys - te - rious way His  
 2 Judge not the Lord by fee - ble sense, But  
 3 Blind un - be - lief is sure to err And  
 4 You fear - ful saints, fresh cour - age take; The



won - ders to per - form; He plants his foot - steps  
 trust him for his grace; Be - hind a frown - ing  
 scan his work in vain; God is his own in -  
 clouds you so much dread Are big with mer - cy



in the sea And rides up - on the storm.  
 prov - i - dence He has a smil - ing face.  
 ter - pret - er, And he will make it plain.  
 and will break In bless - ing on your head.

Text: William Cowper, 1731–1800, abr., alt.

Tune: DUNDEE (CM) *The CL Psalms of David*, Edinburgh, 1615.

## SERMON

Mark 6:45-52

### The Bridge Between Fear and Courage: “I Am!”

*After the sermon, the congregation sings:*



C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
way from your pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of your sal - va -  
tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it. A - men.

## **GATHERING OF THE THANK-OFFERING**

*While the offering is being collected, please sign and pass the Friendship Register.*

## **RECEPTION INTO MEMBERSHIP**

*This morning we receive into membership Kristen Jaspersen,  
Connor Hartje, and Steve, Noah, and Kira Rehborg.*

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH & LORD'S PRAYER**

**C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

# THE SACRAMENT

## PREFACE

**M:** The Lord be with you.



**C:** And al - so with you.

**M:** Lift up your hearts.



**C:** We lift them up un - to the Lord.

**M:** Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



**C:** It is good and right so to do.

**M:** It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock till he comes again in glory.

Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

# HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

*Sanctus*



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en - ly hosts:



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san -



na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -



na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

**M:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

**M:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.



C: A - men.

# O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

*Agnus Dei*

C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,  
you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.  
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
grant us your peace. A - men.

**BE SEATED**

## DISTRIBUTION

*Holy Communion is celebrated today. Mindful of the Scriptural teaching concerning church fellowship, we practice close (or closed) communion. Communicant members of this congregation, or another congregation of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (or the Evangelical Lutheran Synod), are encouraged to commune this morning. Guests are asked to speak with our pastor, before the service, if they wish to commune.*



1 Je - sus, lov - er of my soul, Let me to thy  
 2 Oth - er ref - uge have I none; Hangs my help - less  
 3 Thou, O Christ, art all I want; More than all in  
 4 Plen - teous grace with thee is found, Grace to cov - er



bos - om fly While the near - er wa - ters roll,  
 soul on thee. Leave, ah, leave me not a - lone;  
 thee I find. Raise the fall - en, cheer the faint,  
 all my sin. Let the heal - ing streams a - bound;



While the tem - pest still is high. Hide me, O my  
 Still sup - port and com - fort me. All my trust on  
 Heal the sick, and lead the blind. Just and ho - ly  
 Make and keep me pure with - in. Thou of life the



Sav - ior, hide, Till the storm of life is past; Safe in -  
 thee is stayed; All my help from thee I bring. Cov - er  
 is thy name; I am all un - right - eous - ness. False and  
 foun - tain art; Free - ly let me take of thee. Spring thou



to the ha - ven guide. Oh, re - ceive my soul at last!  
 my de - fense - less head With the shad - ow of thy wing.  
 full of sin I am; Thou art full of truth and grace.  
 up with - in my heart; Rise to all e - ter - ni - ty.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-88, abr.

Tune: ABERYSTWYTH (77 77 D) Joseph Parry, 1841-1903.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN (CW 445)

Through Jesus' Blood and Merit



1 Through Je - sus' blood and mer - it I am at  
 2 There's noth - ing that can sev - er Me from the  
 3 Yes, nei - ther life's temp - ta - tion Nor death's so  
 4 Nor an - y crea - ture ev - er Shall from the



peace with God; What, then, can daunt my spir - it,  
 love of God, No want, no pain what - ev - er,  
 try - ing hour, Nor an - gels of high sta - tion,  
 love of God This child of heav - en sev - er,



How - ev - er dark my road? My cour - age shall  
 No fam - ine, dan - ger, sword. Though thou - sand foes  
 Nor an - y oth - er pow'r, Nor things that now  
 For in my Sav - ior's blood This love has its



not fail me, For God is on my side;  
 sur - round me, For slaugh - ter mark his sheep,  
 are pres - ent, Nor things that are to come,  
 foun - da - tion— God hears my faith - ful prayer—



Though hell it - self as - sail me,  
 They nev - er shall con - found me—  
 Nor height, how - ev - er pleas - ant,  
 And as his new cre - a - tion



Its rage I may de - ride.  
 The vic - t'ry I shall keep!  
 Nor depth of deep - est gloom,  
 Keeps me his child and heir.

Text: Simon Dach, 1605–59, abr.; tc. composite.  
 Tune: ICH DANK DIR, LIEBER HERRE (76 76 D) *Musika Teutsch*, Nürnberg, 1532, alt.

# THANKSGIVING

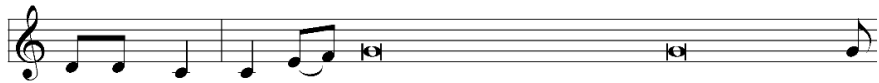
STAND

## SONG OF SIMEON

*Nunc Dimittis*



C: Lord, now you let your servant de - part in peace ac-cord-ing



to your word. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have pre-

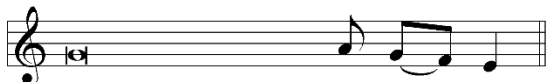


pared be - fore the face of all people, a light to light - en the



Gen-tiles and the glo - ry of your peo-ple Is - ra - el.

M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



C: And his mercy endures for - ev - er.

M: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.



**M:** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
 The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
 The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



BE SEATED

CLOSING HYMN (CW 402)

My Faith Looks Up to Thee



1 My faith looks up to thee, Thou Lamb of  
 2 May thy rich grace im-part Strength to my  
 3 While life's dark maze I tread And griefs a -  
 4 When ends life's tran-sient dream, When death's cold,



Cal - va - ry, Sav - ior di - vine. Now hear me  
 faint - ing heart; My zeal in - spire! As thou hast  
 round me spread, Be thou my guide. Bid dark - ness  
 sul - len stream Shall o'er me roll, Blest Sav - ior,



while I pray; Take all my guilt a - way;  
 died for me, Oh, may my love to thee  
 turn to day, Wipe sor - row's tears a - way,  
 then, in love, Fear and dis - trust re - move;



Oh, let me from this day Be whol - ly thine!  
 Pure, warm, and change - less be, A liv - ing fire!  
 Nor let me ev - er stray From thee a - side.  
 Oh, bear me safe a - bove, A ran - somed soul!

Text: Ray Palmer, 1808-87.  
 Tune: OLIVET (664 6664) Lowell Mason, 1792-1872, alt.



## **Personal Prayers for Worship**

### **Before Communion:**

Lord, I am not worthy to be a guest at your holy table. But you are the friend of sinners, and you will not cast me out. This bread is your body, which bore my sins upon the tree. This wine is your blood, which purifies me from all guilt. At your invitation, I come rejoicing. Receive me, my Savior.

### **After Communion:**

Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for nourishing me in this sacrament with your body and blood. You have given me forgiveness, life, and salvation. Let me always remain in you as a branch remains in the vine. Send me out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

O living Bread from heaven, how richly you have fed your guest! The gifts you now have given have filled my heart with joy and rest. Lord, grant me that thus strengthened with heavenly food, while here my course on earth is lengthened, I serve with holy fear. And when you call my spirit to leave this world below, I enter through your merit where joys unmingled flow.

**Gluten Free communion wafers:** Gluten free communion wafers are available during the Lord's Supper. They are placed on the baptismal font at the start of communion. If you would prefer this wafer, please pick it up as you approach the altar.

# Pre-Worship Meditation

## August 4, 2024

### **“Take Courage!”**

#### EXPLANATION OF THE THEME OF THE DAY

Shortly before he ascended, Jesus told his followers they were to engage in meaningful ministry—to work their way through the world, sharing the good news of salvation. Our loving Lord knew that was a big and often intimidating task. So, his next words were a promise. “Surely I am with you always” (Matthew 28:20). God’s people still need to hear that promise.

For several weeks, we have been discussing the reality that the Lord of the Church has called all believers to meaningful ministry. Ministry will come with challenges. It can cause fears to arise: the fear of rejection, the fear of inadequacy, the fear of persecution. So, listen again to your Savior. “I am with you always.” We conclude our series on meaningful ministry empowered by that gracious promise.

**Summer Worship Schedule  
August, & September 1, 2024  
Sunday Worship 9:00 am  
Adult Bible Study 8:00 am**

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**Weekly Bible Studies:**

**Sunday 8:00 am:** Exodus, *sanctuary*

**Tuesday 9:00 am:** The Gospel of John, *lower level*

**Wednesday 6:30 pm:** Revelation, *lower level*

**Friday 6:00 am:** Breakfast 6:00, Bible study 6:45 | **Matthew**  
*DeForest Family Restaurant (505 W. North Street, DeForest)*

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**Sunday August 4:** Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost  
**Worship Service: 9:00 am with Holy Communion**

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Pianist: Kimberly Duve
- Councilman: Jim Miller
- Ushers: The Holzman Family
- Counters: Kim Bauer and Wayne Kaalberg
- Altar Guild: Colleen Biber
- A/V & Recording: RayLyn Parker

**Sunday August 11:** Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost  
**Summer Worship Service Begins: 9:00 am with Holy Communion**  
**Bible Study: 8:00 am - sanctuary**

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Pianist: Kristin Huebner
- Councilman: Phil Boll
- Ushers: Steven & Sef Fox and Dave & Ben Olson
- Counters: Sharon Kalscheuer and Donna Cotter
- Altar Guild: Colleen Biber
- A/V & Recording: Devin Anderson

**Happy Birthday** We wish God's blessings to Brooklyn Van Dinter (8/4), Austin Andler (8/5), Shannon Garrett (8/7), Dave Rimmert (8/7), Lisa Mhyre (8/8), Sheryl Rimmert (8/8), Dominic Marks (8/10), and Jen Olson (8/10) who celebrate their birthdays this week.

**Anniversaries** We wish God's blessings to John and Jessica Schwark (8/5) Devin and Kelly Anderson (8/8), Darrell and Julie Schoeneberg (8/8) as they celebrate their anniversaries this week.

**In Our Prayers** Fred Bakken, Roger LaGrange, Peter Leege, Rose Lund, Peg Schroeder, John Schueman, and Steve Tobison, who are experiencing difficulties.

A special prayer for all our men & women who are serving in the Armed Forces. Among them are Carter Chavez (grandson of John & Sherry Hill), Shannon Garrett and John J. Schueman (son of Bonnie & John Schueman).

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***There are various kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit.  
There are different kinds of ministries, and yet the same Lord.  
There are various kinds of activity, but the same God,  
who produces all of them in everyone.***

***Each person is given a manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.***

*1 Corinthians 12:4-7*

Have you ever given thought to the gifts given to you? If so, we welcome you to share your gifts for the common good in areas of ministry. Currently are seeking Sunday School Teachers from Pre-school to Teens, and a Youth Group Activity Leader for the 2024-25 school year. If you have interest or would like more information on fulfilling these needs, please contact Kristin V at 608.846-9036 or [lolchurchoffice@gmail.com](mailto:lolchurchoffice@gmail.com)

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### **Choir Rehearsal**

The first choir rehearsal of the 2024-2025 season will be on **Tuesday, August 27th, at 6:00 p.m.** The choir meets for rehearsals in the worship area from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. every Tuesday evening. If you have ever thought about singing with the choir and if you are interested in joining the choir and adding your voice, we encourage you to do so. Please talk with the choir director, Elaine Wilson, so that she can have a choir folder ready for you. You can also contact Elaine at 608-692-9830 or [ewilson4519@gmail.com](mailto:ewilson4519@gmail.com).

## **COMING UP AT LORD OF LOVE**

**August 11** Youth Group Bible Study & Fire Pit Party | 6:30 – 8:00 pm – *teen hub & fire pit.*

**August 14** Bible Study in sanctuary - Guest Speaker Dr. Wade Johnston from WLC to present: “Constantine and Christianity: A Tale of Two Kingdoms”

**August 15** Sunday School Teacher Meeting | 6:30 pm – *lower level*

**August 17** Ladies coffee and breakfast at M-N-M's in Waunakee – 8:00 am

**August 24** Adult Euchre Night | 6:00 pm – *fellowship hall – (note date change)*

**August 27** First Choir Rehearsal for 2024-25 | 6:00 pm – *sanctuary*

### **September 8**

- ❖ 8:00 & 10:30 am Sunday Worship Service Schedule Resume
- ❖ Installation of Sunday School Teachers – *8:00 am service*
- ❖ First Day of Sunday School – *lower level*
- ❖ First Day of Teen Class – *lower level*
- ❖ Bible Study – 9:45 – *sanctuary*

### **June Financials**

<b>Monthly Budget Report</b>	<b>Jun. 2024</b>	<b>Year to Date</b>
<b>Income</b>	\$ 24,713	\$ 417,377
<b>Expenses</b>	\$ 29,538	\$ 382,040
<b>Excess Income/Expense</b>	(\$4,826)	\$ 35,337

*Budget year July 2023 – June 2024*