

13th Sunday after Pentecost

September 7, 2025 9:30AM



Jefferson Prairie Lutheran Church

*As a community called by Christ,
we live our faith by loving and serving all creation*

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Prelude Announcements Welcome

Please stand as you are able

GATHERING *The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

Confession and Forgiveness

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

Merciful and loving God,

We are your stiff-necked people.

We trample on the needy.

We grumble about your grace to others.

We turn away from the poor.

Have mercy on us and forgive our sins.

**Rejoice over us as ones who were lost
and have been found. Amen.**

...your sins are forgiven!

Amen.

Gathering Hymn

"Lift High the Cross"

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Greeting

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.

Canticle of Praise

This is the Feast

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Refrain: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia (repeat)

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing and glory are his.

Refrain.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. Refrain.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. Refrain.

Prayer

. . . our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Please be seated

WORD *God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song.*

First Reading

Psalm 28:6-9

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Holy wisdom. Holy Word.

Thanks be to God!

Anthem

Choir

Second Reading

Philemon 1-21

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Children's Message

Please stand as you are able

Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 6th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Matthew 6:25-33

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Response to Gospel

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

Sermon

"Our Life In A Beaker"

Pr Larry Froemming

Silence for Meditation *We pause in contemplation of God's word, preparing to respond with song.*

Please stand as you are able

Message Response

"Will You Come and Follow Me"

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Apostles' Creed

Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith:

**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 to the dead.
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 Intercession

Petition Response: **receive our prayer**

. . . in the name of Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.

Amen.

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Offerings Place offerings in the plate at the sanctuary entrance, mail to the church, or give through our website or Tithe.ly App. Thanks you for your financial support of our ministry.

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Take my life, that I may be consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold;
take my intellect, and use ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

...and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Please be seated

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Please stand as you are able

Post Communion Blessing

. . .keep you in his grace.

Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

. . . We ask this in Jesus' name.

Amen.

SENDING *God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

Blessing

Bell Toll

Sending Hymn

"God's Work, Our Hands"

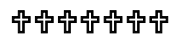
Song Sheet

Dismissal

Go in peace. Do not lose heart.

Thanks be to God.

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Worship Leaders

Marilyn Peterson & Maureen Shull — Ushers/greeters

Hayden Olson—Acolyte

Stephanie Schneider — Reader

Steve Mentele—Choir Director

Robin Hoefer — Pianist

Christi Morelock—Communion Assistant

Linda Tolson—Worship Assistant

Larry Froemming—Pastor

Lift High the Cross

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Refrain

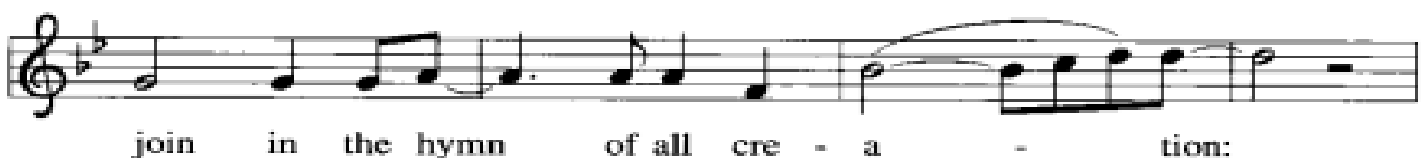
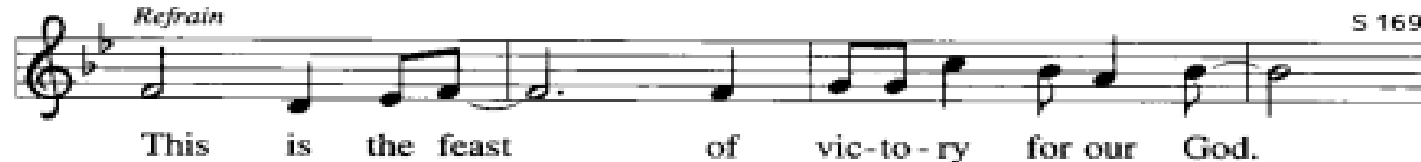
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim till

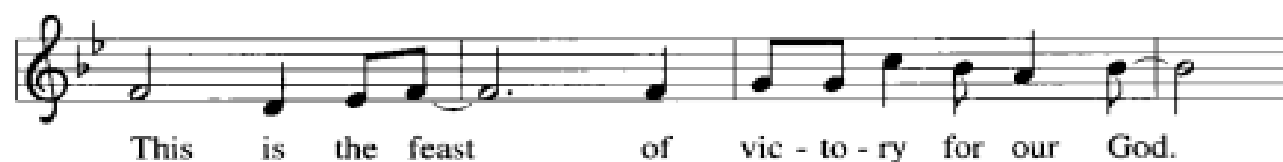
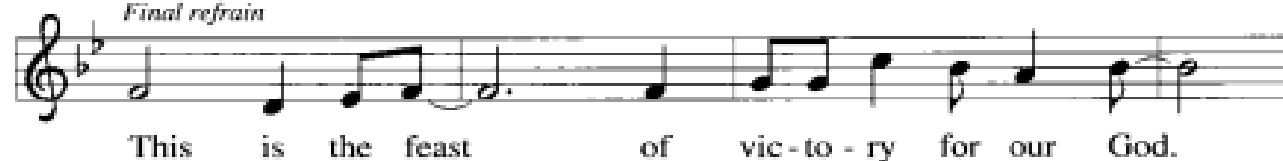
all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.

1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our cap - tain trod,
 2 All new - born ser - vants of the Cru - ci - fied
 3 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
 4 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

Refrain

our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
 bear on their brows the seal of him who died.
 as thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to thee.
 praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!



Refrain*Final refrain*

Will You Come and Follow Me

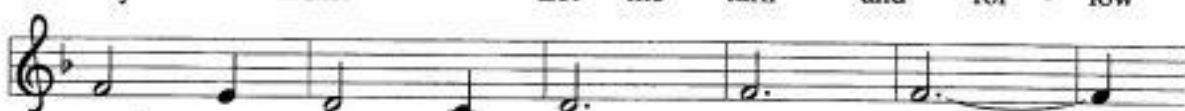
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The Summons

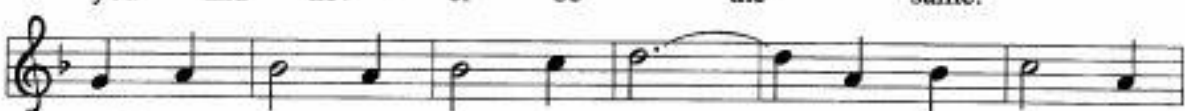
1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
 2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call
 4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call
 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



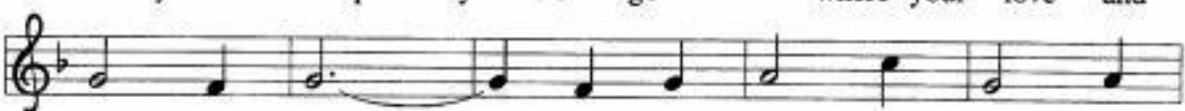
your name? Will you go where you don't
 your name? Will you care for cruel and
 your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners
 my name. Let me quell the fear in -
 and fol - low



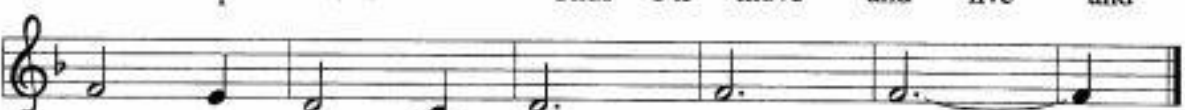
know and nev - er be the same?
 kind and nev - er be the same?
 free and nev - er be the same?
 side and nev - er be the same?
 you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be
 tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer
 this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I
 world a - round, through my sight and touch and
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"
 pray'r in you and you in me?"
 mean in you and you in me?"
 sound in you and you in me?"
 grow in you and you in me.

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Take My Life, That I May Be

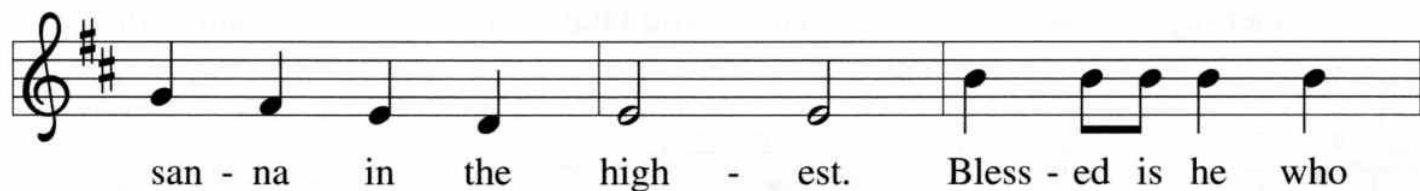
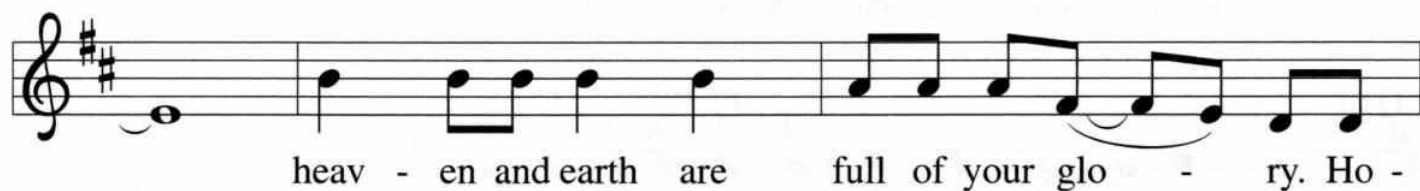
The musical score is written for a single melodic line on a treble clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a range of approximately two octaves. The lyrics are printed below the staff, with line numbers 1 through 4 corresponding to the first system and lines 5 and 6 corresponding to the second system. The music consists of a single line of notes, with some rests and a final double bar line at the end of the second system.

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.





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.



- 1 Here is bread, here is wine, Christ is with us, he is with us.
 2 Here is grace, here is peace, Christ is with us, he is with us.
 3 Here we are, joined in one, Christ is with us, he is with us.



Break the bread, taste the wine, Christ is with us here.
 Know his grace, find his peace, feast on Je - sus here.
 We'll pro - claim till he comes Je - sus cru - ci - fied.

Text: Graham Kendrick, b. 1950

Music: Graham Kendrick

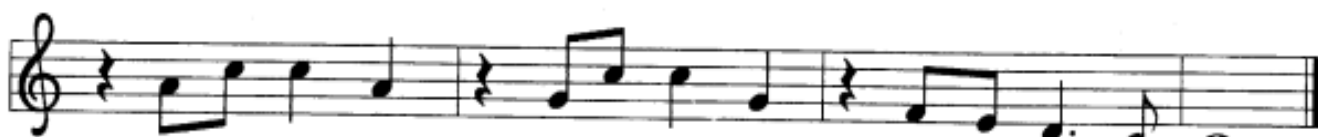
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HERE IS BREAD

3 3 4 4 3 3 5 and refrain



In this bread there is heal - ing, in this cup is life for - ev - er.



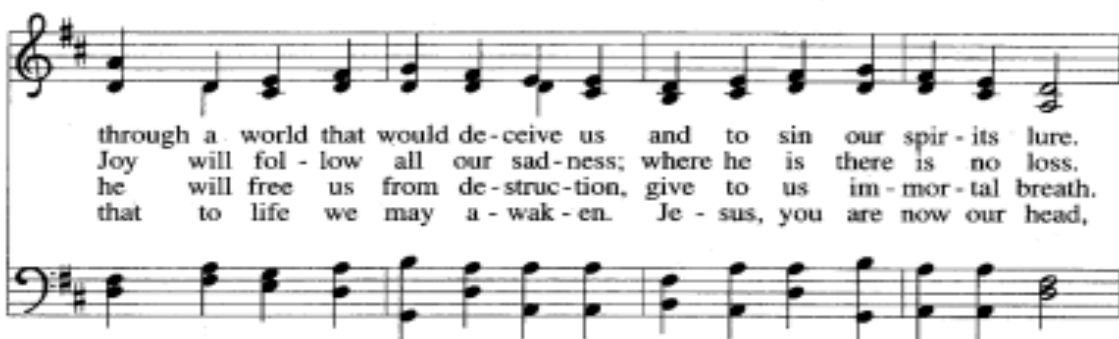
In this mo - ment, by the Spir - it, Christ is with us here.

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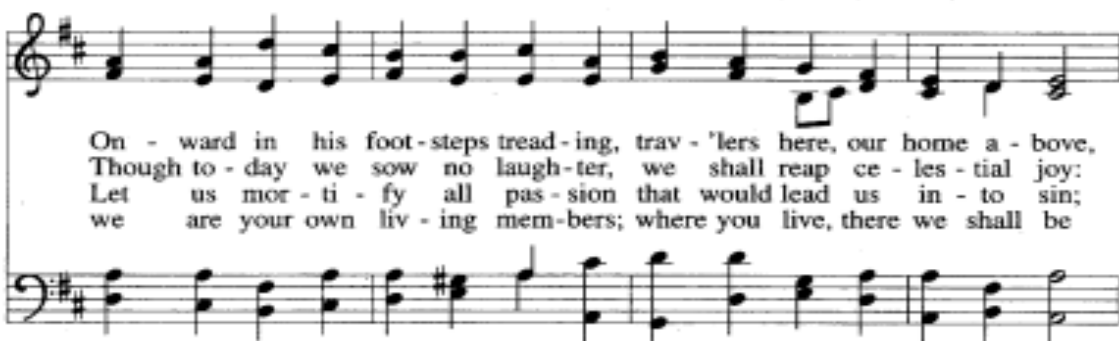
Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus



1 Let us ev - er walk with Je - sus, fol - low his ex - am - ple pure,
 2 Let us suf - fer here with Je - sus, and with pa - tience bear our cross.
 3 Let us glad - ly die with Je - sus. Since by death he con - quered death,
 4 Let us al - so live with Je - sus. He has ris - en from the dead



through a world that would de - ceive us and to sin our spir - its lure.
 Joy will fol - low all our sad - ness; where he is there is no loss.
 he will free us from de - struc - tion, give to us im - mor - tal breath.
 that to life we may a - wak - en. Je - sus, you are now our head,



On - ward in his foot - steps tread - ing, trav - 'lers here, our home a - bove,
 Though to - day we sow no laugh - ter, we shall reap ce - les - tial joy;
 Let us mor - ti - fy all pas - sion that would lead us in - to sin;
 we are your own liv - ing mem - bers; where you live, there we shall be



full of faith and hope and love, let us do our Sav - ior's bid - ding.
 all dis - com - forts that an - noy shall give way to mirth here - af - ter.
 and the grave that shuts us in shall but prove the gate of heav - en.
 in your pres - ence con - stant - ly, liv - ing there with you for - ev - er.



Faith - ful Lord, with me a - bide; I shall fol - low where you guide.
 Je - sus, here I share your woe; help me there your joy to know.
 Je - sus, here with you I die, there to live with you on high.
 Je - sus, let me faith - ful be; life e - ter - nal grant to me.

God's Work, Our Hands

1 God's work, our hands: work - ing to - geth - er, build - ing a fu - ture, re - pair - ing the world,
 2 God's work, our feet: trav - 'ling to - geth - er, fol - low - ing Je - sus to plac - es un - known,
 3 God's work, our voice: sing - ing to - geth - er, prais - ing, pro - claim - ing to all who will hear,
 4 God is at work in and a - round us: seed - lings are sprout - ing and bread's on the rise!

rais - ing up homes, plant - ing new gar - dens, feed - ing the hun - gry and shelt - 'ring the cold.
 walk - ing as friends, march - ing for free - dom, run - ning the race with God's fu - ture the goal.
 pray - ing for peace, shout - ing for jus - tice, claim - ing God's love for the lost and the least.
 Washed and set free, hum - bled and hon - ored, gift - ed by grace, we re - spond in God's love.

Bless, God, our hands as we work in your name,
 Bless, God, our feet as we fol - low your way, shar - ing the good news of your Gos - pel.
 Bless, God, our voice as we speak in your name,
 Bless, God, our lives as we an - swer your call,

Text: Wayne L. Wold

Music: EARTH AND ALL STARS, David N. Johnson

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Announcements for September 7, 2025

Welcome! We are happy to have you worship with us today!

- **Large Print Bulletins and Hymns** are available in the narthex in a red binder. Ask the ushers!
- **Activity Bags for young children** to use during worship are available in the narthex.
- **Visitors: Sign the Visitor's Book** and pick up a visitor's bag located on the table in the Connecting Room.
- **Contribute to Worship/Fellowship** by signing up to be a Reader, Livestream or host Fellowship.

Keep in prayer: June Bates, Judy Clark (sister-in-law of Bill Clark), Bob Dotson (Julie Peterson's uncle), Dean Erickson, Barb Grenawalt, Brad Pfaff (son-in-law of Mary Jane Tracy), Ron Torkilson, Lynn Tracy, and Mary Jane Tracy. **Please contact the office with any changes in requests.**

SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING to discuss possible pastoral candidate status will be on Sunday, September 14th following worship.

Emergency Pastoral Care: will now be provided by Pastor JoAnna from Faith Lutheran in So Beloit. She will be "on-call" for emergencies (815)298-9951 or email: PastorJoAnna@me.com

Worship Music-Do you want to contribute to worship in a musical capacity? JP has both vocal and handbell choirs! See Steve Mienteale (vocal) or Robin Hoefer (handbells) with questions or just show up at practice starting in September, Vocal (Before Worship) and Handbells.

Altar Flowers: Thank you, John & Diane Reindfleisch, for providing the flowers in honor of their 45th wedding anniversary. The cost is \$25. Sign up on the chart in the narthex and pay Linda Tolson directly (check or cash) and she will get the flowers.

God's Work Our Hands: September 7, 2025 – TODAY Immediately after worship, we'll head downstairs to work together, as a congregation, to complete projects that meet the needs of our local and global neighbors. **Work will stop at 12PM so we can enjoy lunch together.**

Sunday School: We kick off the Sunday School year on Sunday, September 14th. This year there will be preschool-1st grade, 2nd-5th and 6th and older Youth classes. Sarah Williams, Ginny Erickson and Carrier Morelock will lead the groups and would appreciate a couple of adults willing to substitute on occasion. Sign-up on Sunday, September 14th. Grandkids, friends, nieces, nephews or neighbors. **ALL ARE WELCOME.** Here every week or just visiting? **ALL ARE WELCOME.** Quiet, Shy, Friendly, Energized. **ALL ARE WELCOME.**

Prairie Light Newsletter: Was emailed this week, print copies are available for those who requested.

Veteran Grave Wreaths: Wreaths Across America is coming to JP on December 13th. We will honor the Veteran's in both cemeteries with balsam wreaths. You can "sponsor" a specific grave by signing up in the Connecting Room OR give a non-specified donation. Visit www.wreathsacrossamerica.org to learn about the program. See John Clint or the Office with questions.

Sharing Your Offering: Thank you for your generosity that supports our ministry here at Jefferson Prairie and our mission partners. There are multiple options for sharing your offering.

- **Offering plates** are located on stands by the entrance to the sanctuary.
- **Give online** at www.jplchurch.org. Click on the GIVE tab at the top to be directed to Tithe.ly.
- **Use the Tithe.ly App.** Click on GIVE on our website www.jplchurch.org, download the Tithe.ly App at the bottom of the screen. Once installed, search for Jefferson Prairie and start giving using the App.
- **Mail** your check to church: 23184 Bergen Rd. Poplar Grove, IL 61065

Online worship available at: <https://www.facebook.com/jeffersonprairie/live/> and www.jplchurch.org homepage. Click on Sermons on the website to watch previous worship services. The bulletin is under Sermon Notes.

NOTE: This worship service is being livestreamed.

This Week's Calendar

Sunday, September 7	9:30am	Worship
		God's Work, Our Hands Projects-Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, September 9	12:00pm	Pulled Pork & Fixins Lunch
	9:00am	Quilting
Sunday, September 14	9:30am	Worship
		Special Congregational Meeting
		Fellowship
		Sunday School-All Are Welcome