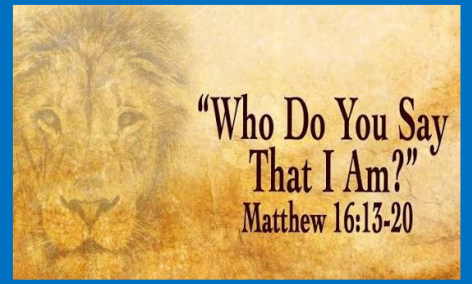


*13th SUNDAY after
PENTECOST
August 23, 2026*



*Our vision:
"Joy is a spiritual community sharing the
love of Christ in a challenging world."*



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*Our mission is to share
the Good News of grace and love with
all through worship, service, and fellowship.*

Worship text is on the screen.
****Indicates Congregation Stands if able***
STATION COMMUNION IS OBSERVED TODAY

Prelude: "There Is A Fountain" -arr. Jeff Bennett

***Confession and Forgiveness**

***Gathering Hymn: ELW #645-"Christ Is Made The Sure Foundation"**

***Greeting**

***Hymn of Praise: ELW page 149-"This Is The Feast"**

***Prayer of the Day**

Children's Message

First Reading: Isaiah 51: 1-6

Psalm: 138 (*Psalm & Response on Page 4*)

Second Reading: Romans 12:1-8

**Special Music: "Arioso Gloria" - com. Barbara York
Sam McHenry, Tuba**

***Gospel Acclamation: -ELW page 151-"Alleluia"**

***Gospel: Matthew 16: 13-20**

Today's Message is Given by: Pastor Art Wuertz

***Hymn of the Day: ELW # 596-"My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less"**

***Apostles' Creed**

***The Prayers of the People**

***Passing of the Peace**

***Offertory: ACS "Holy, Holy, Holy Lord"**
(Music & Lyrics Page 5)

***Congregational Offertory: ELW #167-**
"Now The Feast And Celebration"

***Offertory Prayer**

***The Great Thanksgiving**

***"It is indeed right....."**

***Sanctus: - ELW page 153-"Holy, Holy, Holy Lord"**

***Eucharistic Prayer**

***Words of Institution**

***The Lord's Prayer**

***Invitation to Communion**

***Lamb of God: ELW page 154-"Lamb Of God"**

Distribution Hymns:

ELW # 790-"Day By Day"

ELW # 793-"Be Thou My Vision"

ACS # 966-"Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken" *(See Pg 6)*

ELW # 492-"Eat This Bread, Drink This Wine"

***Communion Blessing**

***Prayer after Communion**

***Blessing**

***Sending Hymn: ELW # 697- "Just A Closer Walk With Thee"**

***Sending**

***Postlude: "Cornerstone" - arr. Mark Hayes**

Psalm 138



Psalm 138:8

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R: ***O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever. (Ps. 138:8)***

- ¹ I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with ¹ my whole heart;
before the gods I will ¹ sing your praise.
- ² **I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of
your steadfast ¹ love and faithfulness; for you have glorified your name
and your word a- ¹ bove all things.**
- ³ When I called, you ¹ answered me;
you increased my ¹ strength within me.
- ⁴ **All the rulers of the earth will praise ¹ you, O LORD,
when they have heard the words ¹ of your mouth. R**
- ⁵ They will sing of the ways ¹ of the LORD,
that great is the glory ¹ of the LORD.
- ⁶ **The LORD is high, yet cares ¹ for the lowly,
perceiving the haughty ¹ from afar.**
- ⁷ Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you ¹ keep me safe;
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your
right ¹ hand shall save me.
- ⁸ **You will make good your pur- ¹ pose for me;
O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the
works ¹ of your hands. R**

OFFERTORY-ACS 12



The musical score is written on six staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics printed below each staff. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est." The score ends with a double bar line.

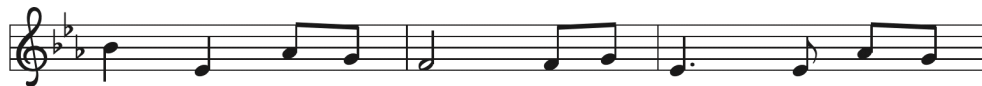
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ACS # 966

Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken



1 Loaves were bro - ken, words were spo - ken by the
 2 Loaves were bro - ken, words were spo - ken in a
 3 Loaves are bro - ken, words are spo - ken, as in
 4 By the loaves you break and give us, send us



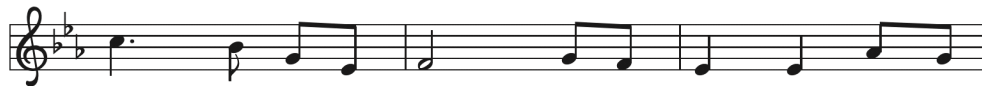
Gal - i - le - an shore. Je - sus, Bread of life from
 qui - et room one night. In the bread and wine you
 faith we gath - er here. Je - sus speaks a - cross the
 in your name to share bread for which the mil - lions



heav - en, was their food for - ev - er - more.
 gave them, Christ, you came as Light from Light.
 a - ges: "I am with you; do not fear!"
 hun - ger, words that tell your love and care.



By your bod - y bro - ken for us, by your



wine of life out - poured, Je - sus, feed a - gain your



peo - ple. Be our Host, our Life, our Lord.

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Music: JOYOUS LIGHT, Marty Haugen, b. 1950

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Seasons of JOY

CONCERT CANCELLED

DUE TO DEATH IN THE FAMILY!



Join us when we welcome John Matthew Wilkinson for an afternoon of original piano works, sacred songs, and fresh hymn arrangements for voice and piano. A lyric tenor accompanying himself at the piano, he weaves together music shaped by faith, beauty, and devotion. Expressing both quiet reflection and radiant joy, the program

invites listeners into a peaceful and uplifting hour of hope-filled sound.

August 23, 2026 at 3:00 p.m. in the sanctuary
at JOY Lutheran Church (7045 SW 83rd Place, Ocala, FL 34476)

Free Admission. Reception follows concert.

THIS WEEK'S PRAYER LIST

Linda Aker-Hip Surgery
 Michelle Burkett*-Cancer
 Mike Cira*-Health Concerns
 John Cobb-Health
 Robert Cretul* – Cancer
 Carole & Jorge Darena*-Awaiting
 heart & lung diagnosis
 Lon Fairchild*-Cancer
 Kim Fintel*-Cancer
 Violet Frey-Health Issues
 Elaine Grass*-Recovery from stroke
 Guy Griemey*-Cancer
 John Henderson-Pain
 Trudy Herzog*-Heart & Lung
 Issues
 Lee Hewitt*-Cancer-Recurring
 Laura Kaschmitter*-Cancer
 Linda Lushbaugh-Cancer
 Ginny McCabe*-Recovery from
 surgery
 Kimberly Randall-Mcracken*-
 Cancer
 Miller & Holmes Families-
 Bereavement on passing of Susan
 Juan Munoz*-Stroke

Doris & Raymond Neff*-Health
 issues
 Wayne Nelson*-Cancer
 Reents & Lilleford Families-
 Bereavement on passing of Jackie
 Gay Saari*-Surgery for tongue
 cancer
 Dolly Schember-Health
 Brian Shull*-Special
 Circumstances
 Nancy Spitzack*-Family Issues
 Debbie Spivey*-Stage 4 colon
 cancer
 Kristen Spivey*-Preparing to be
 a kidney donor
 Samantha Stafferi*-Possible
 Cancer
 Lee & Edie Stewart – Health
 Helen Vance*-Cancer
 Ken Warner*- Lung Cancer
 Dawn Winblad-Cancer Treatment
 Mary Wright-Healing
 Bertha Hendrickson-Assisted Liv-
 ing
 Cynthia Randall-Memory Care

*May God's hands of healing, grace, mercy, and
 comfort surround everyone.*

ATTENDANCE			
WEDNESDAY	08/12/2026	6:30 PM	16
SUNDAY	08/16/2026	10:00 AM	108



*Please note the blue binders,
for the contemporary hymns,
are underneath the chairs.
The music is arranged in
alphabetical order by title.*

A REMINDER TO ALL MINISTRY CHAIRS

It is that time of the year again when the Annual Reports for each ministry as well as Council need to be turned in. I will need all reports (with financials where applicable included) to me by no later than September 21st.

Annual Report has to be prepared, printed, and available to the congregation for the week of October the 11th.

Thank you. Susan

“To worship God in spirit is the service and homage of the heart, and implies fear of God and trust in Him.”

—Martin Luther

REMINDER TO MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND GET YOUR ITEMS READY FOR
OUR FIGHT HUNGER SUNDAY.

FIGHT HUNGER SUNDAY

THE LAST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH IS OUR FIGHT HUNGER SUNDAY.
YOU CAN HELP!

- 1) **ELCA WORLD HUNGER-MONETARY DONATIONS USING YOUR
NUMBERED DONATION ENVELOPES OR THE PEW ENVELOPES.**
- 2) **INTERFAITH FOOD BANK-NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS CAN BE
PLACED ON THE CARTS PROVIDED**

YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

OUR NEXT FIGHT HUNGER SUNDAY DATE:

August 30th



**BIBLE STUDY WITH CHARLIE
MONDAY SEPTEMBER 14TH MATERIAL NEEDED
Meeting location Narthex time 1PM**

Exodus Leviticus

by [Keith Schoville](#) (Author)

Available from Amazon Barnes and Noble, Christian Books, Walmart, and Target \$3.98-\$13.99

Study the Books of Exodus and Leviticus, beginning with Moses's story and ending with the priests and their duties. Some of the major ideas explored are: Passover and exodus, covenant laws, instructions carried out, worship and laws.





NEXT WEEK'S DATELINE
August 24-August 30, 2026



DATELINE LEGEND: SH= SWENSON HALL; S=SANCTUARY; N=NARTHEX;
 OR= OUTREACH ROOM; MG=MEMORIAL GARDEN; CG=CHURCH GROUNDS; OC=OFF CAMPUS

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOC
Mon. 8/24	9:30 AM	Stephen Ministry	SH
Tue. 8/25	11:00 AM	Beginners' Bible Study	SH
	12:00 NOON	Pineland Ministerial Meeting	SH
Wed. 8/26	9:00 AM	Joyful Hands Ministry	SH
	6:30 PM	Worship Service	S
Thur. 8/27	6:30 PM	BCR—Rehearsal	S
Fri. 8/28	1:00-3:00 PM	Cleaning Service	S/SH
Sat. 8/29	10:00 AM	“Women In The Wait” -Study	SH
Sun. 8/30		Fight Hunger Sunday	N
	10:00 AM	Worship Service	S
Altar Angels		Susanne Beech, Jean Groth, Sally Wheeler, Vicki Valli	S
Ambassador		Irene Henderson	N
Fellowship		S X 3 Plus L	N
Ushers		Meier	S
Counters	Monday	Terry Owen, Susan Jobbagy	SH

THANKS TO TODAY'S MINISTRY TEAMS	
	SUNDAY, AUGUST 23, 2026
Assistant Minister	Mike Beaver
Reader 1	Paul Hyatt
Reader 2	
Cross Bearer	
Communion Assistant	Vicki Valli
Ushering Team	Groth
Food & Fellowship	Sweet & Savory
Altar Angels	Susanne Beech, Jean Groth, Sally Wheeler, Vicki Valli
Ambassador	Lynne Shineman
Counters	Doreen & David Robinson

OUR STAFF	
Administrative Assistant	Zsuzsanna Jobbagy
Director of Music	Silas Daniel
Choir Director	Linda Aker
Handbell Choir Director	Melissa Daniel
Treasurer	Caroline Bernard
Sexton	Carson Faris

OFFICE HOURS:-

Monday-Thursday 8:00 am—3:30 pm CLOSED ON FRIDAY



FOR OUR MEMBERS & GUESTS

Our bulletin and music for the hymns is available on our website and can be accessed by scanning the QR code on the LEFT.

It will take you to our Worship Tools : click on HYMNS
You can view the music for the entire service on your phone or i-pad.

Our Sanctuary is 'hearing aid-friendly' and also connects with Bluetooth devices."



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