

# The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost



July 24, 2022

# Welcome to St. Mark's and St. John's

Name tags are available. We'd love to make one for you if you do not have one already.

Just fill out a form in your pew. Help yourself to coffee in the "cafe" and feel free to bring it to your pew. We're casual. We invite children to make themselves at home at our children's table where there are weekly activity bulletins, crayons, etc...

Our live YouTube broadcast begins at 9:15am.

As always, the link to our YouTube channel is available on our website,  
[stmarksandstjohns.org](http://stmarksandstjohns.org)

## PRELUDE

## PROCESSIONAL

“Come Now is the Time to Worship”  
*Music and lyrics by Brian Doerksen*

The musical score is written in 4/4 time and consists of five staves. The first staff is labeled 'Verse' and includes two versions of the lyrics: '1. Come now is the time to worship' and '2. Come just as you are to worship'. The second staff continues the lyrics: 'now is the time to give your heart just as you are before your God. Come'. The third staff is labeled 'Chorus' and begins with 'One day every tongue will confess you are God'. The fourth staff continues: 'One day every knee will bow Still the great-est treasure re-mains'. The fifth staff concludes with: 'for those who gladly choose you now'. Chord symbols C, Csus, C, and G are placed above the first four staves.

C Verse

1. Come now is the time to wor - ship Come  
2. Come just as you are to wor - ship Come

now is the time to give your heart  
just as you are be - fore your God. Come

Chorus

One day ev - ery tongue will con - fess you are God

One day ev - ery knee will bow Still the great-est treas-ure re - mains.

for those who glad - ly choose you now

## WELCOME

### THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Deacon: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Deacon: Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## FIRST LESSON

Genesis 18: 20-32

The Lord said to Abraham, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know."

So the men turned from there, and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" And the Lord said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake." Abraham

answered, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." Again he spoke to him, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." He said, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it."

*Lector:* Hear what the Spirit is saying

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 85

*Benedixisti, Domine*

You have been gracious to your land, O Lord,  
you have restored the good fortune of Jacob.

**You have forgiven the iniquity of your people  
and blotted out all their sins.**

You have withdrawn all your fury  
and turned yourself from your wrathful indignation.

**Restore us then, O God our Savior;  
let your anger depart from us.**

Will you be displeased with us for ever?  
will you prolong your anger from age to age?

**Will you not give us life again,  
that your people may rejoice in you?**

Show us your mercy, O Lord,  
and grant us your salvation.

**I will listen to what the Lord God is saying,  
for he is speaking peace to his faithful people  
and to those who turn their hearts to him.**

Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him,  
that his glory may dwell in our land.

**Mercy and truth have met together;  
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.**

Truth shall spring up from the earth,  
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

**The Lord will indeed grant prosperity,  
and our land will yield its increase.**

Righteousness shall go before him,  
and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

"Celtic Alleluia" (2x) *Please stand*  
*Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker*



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! \_\_\_\_\_

## GOSPEL

Luke 11:1-13

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

Give us each day our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.

And do not bring us to the time of trial."

And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set

before him.' And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

"So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

The Gospel of the Lord  
**Praise to you, Lord Christ**

SERMON

The Rev. Cynthia Rasmussen

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in God above us,  
Creator of all things, sustainer of all life.  
We believe in Christ beside us,  
companion and friend,  
redeemer of all the broken pieces of our universe.  
We believe in Spirit deep within us,  
Advocate and guide, who lives with us eternally.  
We believe in God's resurrection created world  
where all things are fixed,  
and all creation fits together in vibrant harmonies.  
We believe in God above, beside, within,  
God yesterday, today and forever,  
the three in one, the one in three.

## SPECIAL MUSIC FOR PRAYER AND MEDITATION *Please be seated*

*You're invited to light a candle at our prayer table and write your prayer intentions on one of the Prayer Boards during the music. Please keep your masks on and stay socially distant to keep everyone safe. Thank you.*

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Filled with the promised Holy Spirit, let us pray in confidence for all who are in need.

*Silence*

Pour out your Spirit upon the earth to renew the face of the ground, that all may be fed and nourished by the abundant resources you provide for all your people.

Leader: Hear us, O God.

People: **Your mercy is great.**

Pour out your Spirit upon the nations, that leaders judges, and peacekeepers may stand against oppression and seek peace throughout the world.

Leader: Hear us, O God.

People: **Your mercy is great.**

Pour out your Spirit upon those who suffer (period of silence), that they may know healing, hope, and joy.

Leader: Hear us, O God.

People: **Your mercy is great.**

Pour out your Spirit upon all who mourn, that your promise of everlasting life and peace make our hearts sing even in the face of death.

Leader: Hear us, O God.

People: **Your mercy is great.**

Celebrant: Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen

## THE PEACE

*Deacon:* The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

*You are invited to share the peace with one another.*

*Celebrant:* Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

*Eucharistic Ministers bring the Communion elements to the altar during the music*

## GATHERING AROUND

“You are Near”

## GOD’S TABLE

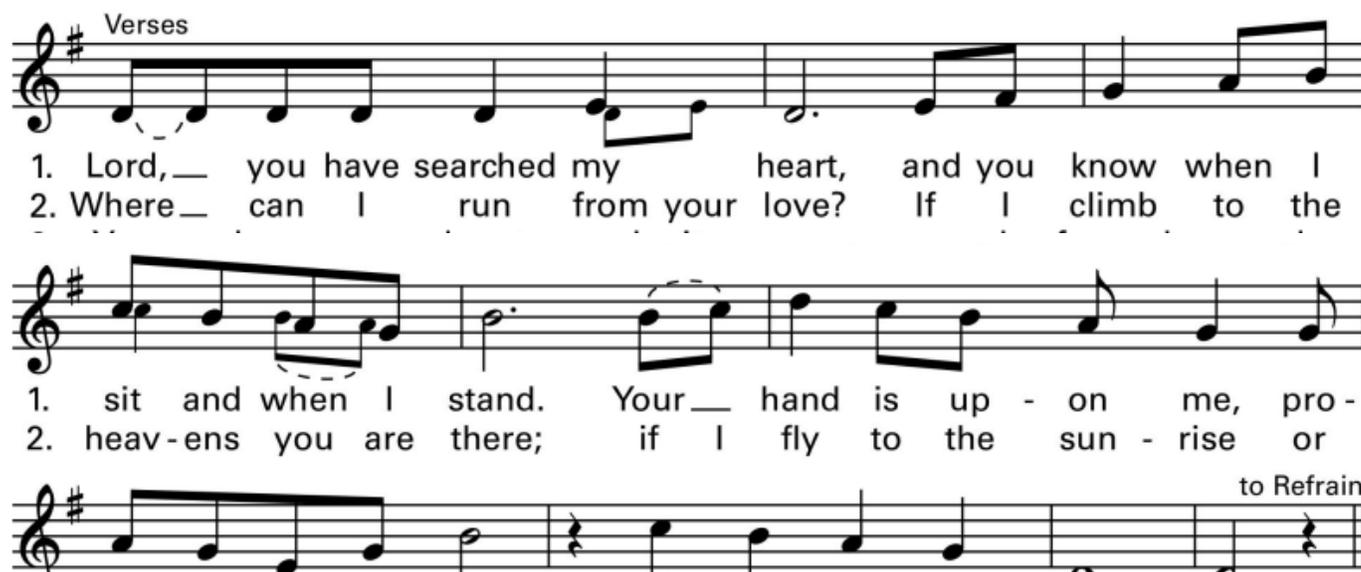
*Music: Dan Schutte*

Refrain



O Lord, I know you are near, stand-ing al-ways at my side. You  
guard me from the foe, and you lead me in ways ev-er - last-ing.

Verses



1. Lord, — you have searched my heart, and you know when I  
2. Where — can I run from your love? If I climb to the  
1. sit and when I stand. Your — hand is up - on me, pro -  
2. heav-ens you are there; if I fly to the sun - rise or  
1. tect - ing me from death, keep - ing me from harm.  
2. sail be-yond the sea, still I'd find you there.

to Refrain

## OFFERTORY

### "Crowded Table"

*by Brandie Carlile, Natalie Hemby, and Lori McKenna  
Text adapted for worship*

*Eucharistic Minister brings the offering forward*

**Refrain: I want a church with a crowded table**

**And a place at the altar for everyone**

**Let us take on the world while we're fed and able**

**And bring us back together when the day is done**

**Verse: If we want a garden we're gonna have to sow the seed**

**Plant a little happiness - let the roots run deep**

**If it's love that we give - then it's love that we reap**

**If we want a garden we're gonna have to sow the seed**

## HOLY EUCHARIST

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift-up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**



It is indeed right that we should praise you, God of love, our source and our fulfillment, for you create all things, and in you we live and move and have our being. Your wonder is manifest in land and sea and sky. When the times had at last grown full and the earth had ripened in abundance, you made us in your image for yourself.

Even though we've turned from you, again and again you call us to yourself, and in every age, promise liberation. As a parent tenderly gathers her children, you embrace us as your own. From your own being you sent Jesus among us, incarnate of the Holy Spirit and born of Mary our sister and Joseph our brother.

Now we join hands around your table, and with all creation we sing your hymn of unending love,

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly

ho - ly Lord God of hosts.

Heav - en and earth are filled with your glo -

ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless-ed is He who comes in the name  
 of the Lord, of the Lord.  
 Ho-san-na in the high-  
 est, ho-san-na in the high-est

To you indeed be glory, almighty God, on the night before he died, your Son, Jesus Christ, took bread; when he had given you thanks, he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said:

**Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this to remember me.**

After supper he took the cup; when he had given you thanks, he gave it to them and said:

**This cup is the new covenant in my blood poured out for you; do this as often as you drink it to remember me.**

And so in this sacrament we celebrate and proclaim the mystery of our faith.

**Christ has died,  
Christ is risen,  
Christ will come in glory.**

Therefore, loving God, recalling now Christ's life, death and resurrection, we ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon us and this celebration, that we may be fed with the body and blood of your Son and be filled with your life and goodness. Strengthen us to do your work, and to be your resurrected body offering hope to the world.

Unite us in Christ and give us your peace. Through your Holy Spirit, burning as a flame, gentle as a dove, may we who receive these gifts live lives of justice, love, and prayer.

**Blessing, honor and glory be yours, here and everywhere,  
now and forever. Amen.**



## THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

**Our Father in Heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen**

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

**We who are many are one body, for we share in this one bread.**

The feast of life has been prepared for you -  
partake and be filled with the goodness of God.

*Celebrant:* The gifts of God for the people of God take them in remembrance of Christ's life, death, and resurrection and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

## WELCOME TO THE TABLE

*ALL are welcome to receive communion.*

*Please be seated. Our Eucharistic Ministers will come to you. As they approach, please stand if you are able. Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available. If you would like to receive a blessing instead of communion, simply cross your arms in front of you.*

## COMMUNION MUSIC

“Taste and See” (sing once)

*Refrain*

Taste and see, taste and see the  
good - ness of the Lord. \_\_\_\_\_ O  
taste and see, taste and see the  
good - ness of the Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ of the  
Lord.

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It consists of five staves. The first staff is labeled 'Refrain' and contains the lyrics 'Taste and see, taste and see the'. The second staff continues with 'good - ness of the Lord.' followed by a long horizontal line and the letter 'O'. The third staff repeats 'taste and see, taste and see the'. The fourth staff continues with 'good - ness of the Lord,' followed by another long horizontal line and 'of the'. The fifth staff begins with 'Lord.' and continues with a melodic line.

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

**Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection that we may show your glory to all the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## FINAL BLESSING

### DISMISSAL

**Deacon: Alleluia. Alleluia. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.**

**People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia**

**Presider and Preacher: The Rev'd Cynthia Rasmussen**

**Deacon: The Rev'd Mike Finn**

**Deacon-in-Training: Roc Whitman**

**Musician: Andy Lacey**

**Audio and Video Producer: Robert Thornton**

## SMSJ WEEKLY CALENDAR (7/24/2022 - 7/30/2022)

### **Tuesday**

9:00 am      Food Shelf Prep & Foodlink Delivery  
(Paula Valeri)

1:00 pm      Food bagging (Rachel Darcy Bornemann)

### **Wednesday**

10:30-12pm    Food Shelf/Record Freezer & Fridge Temps.  
(Paula Valeri)

12pm          Healing Service

### **Thursday**

3:30pm        Partners for Places Weekly Meeting

### **Community Garden Times**

Mondays 6 pm    - 1199 Culver Rd Garden (Melanie & Judy)

Tuesdays 5 pm    - Merchants Garden (Deb)

Tuesday 6 pm     - Parsells Garden (Deacon Mike)

Wednesday 9 am - Church Garden (Mary Ellen & Mary)

TBD                - Denver Garden (Aisha)

TBD                - Children's Garden (Chloe)

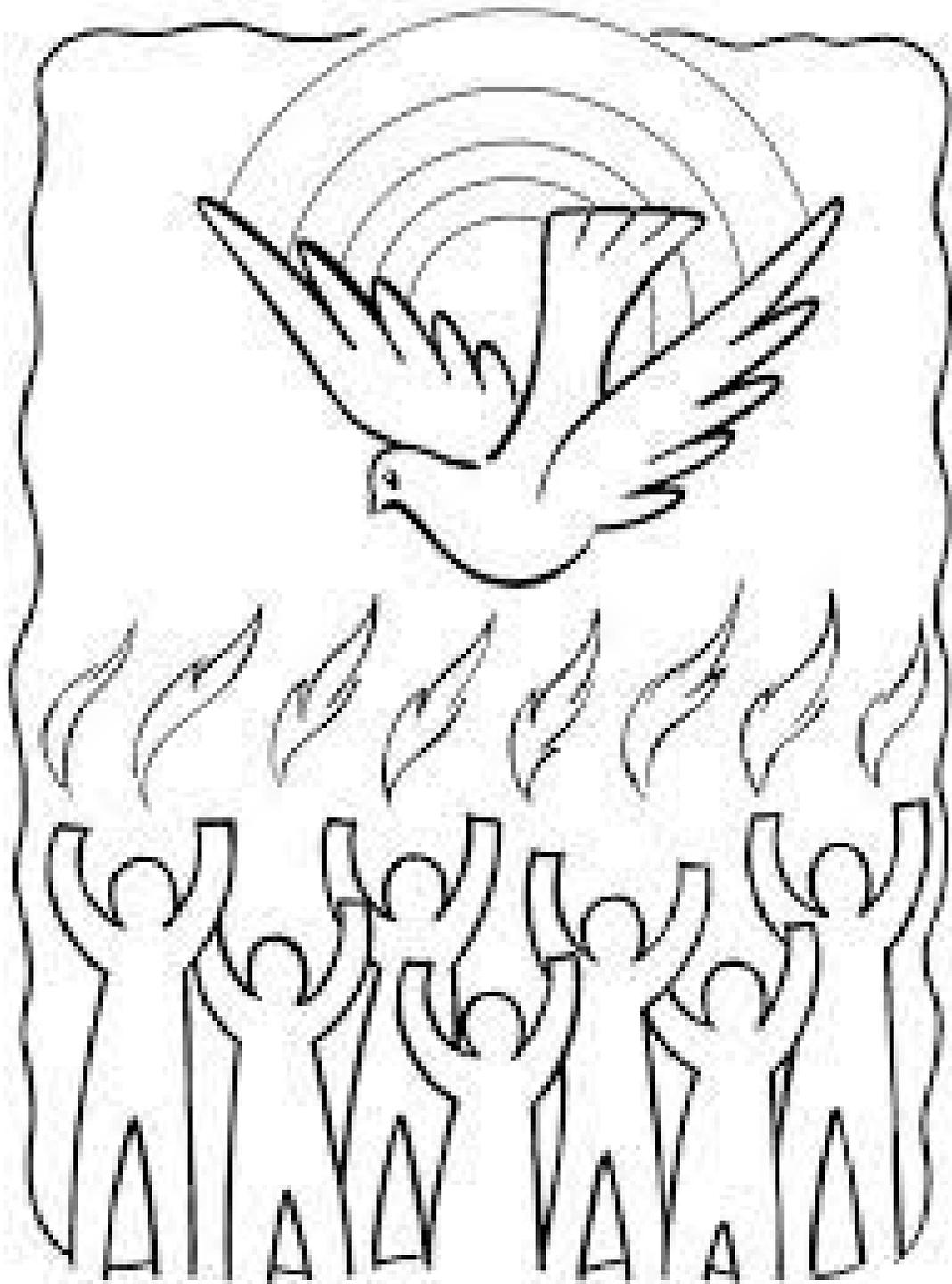
# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Farm Stand

It's that time of year. Join us each Saturday from 9:30am-12:30pm. We'd love your help. Please talk to Deacon Mike if you'd like more information.

## Welcome - Our new Operations & Mission Director is HERE

Maria Hartz (she/they) is originally from Albany, NY, but took a several year detour through Appalachian Kentucky before relocating to Rochester in June 2021 to begin her Masters of Divinity with a concentration in Theology and Social Justice. Maria is extremely passionate about both church and community ministry, and has quickly fallen in love with SMSJ's mission and ministries in the neighborhood. Maria's previous work has varied in both the non-profit sector and church congregations - ranging in volunteer management, direct mission-critical service, and children and youth ministry. Maria is excited to get to know this community deeply, and serve you the best ways they can! Feel free to reach out to her at [mhartz@stmarksandstjohns.org](mailto:mhartz@stmarksandstjohns.org) to introduce yourself!



## Worship Leaders of July - September 2022

<b>Date</b>	<b>First Lesson and Psalm</b>	<b>Second Lesson</b>	<b>Prayers of the People</b>
7/31	Mary E	Stephanie S	Tom F
8/7	Mary Ellen F	Sharon K	Heather G
8/14	Walt S	Deb S	Paula V
8/21	Joe C	Bob C	Deb S
8/28	Bob V	Michele H	Dave E
9/4	LaVonne N	Theresa H	Terri C
9/11	Tom F	Dave E.	Mary E
9/18	Joe C	Bob C	Deb S
9/25	Dave E	Bob V	Michele H
10/2	Bob C	Samantha G	Joe C
10/9	Bob C	Terri C	LaVonne N

<b>Date</b>	<b>Hold Cup Tray</b>	<b>Give Single Cup</b>	<b>Collect Cups</b>
7/31	Dorothy B	Kathy J	Bob C
8/7	Sharon K	Joe C	Children
8/14	Terri C	Mary E	Children
8/21	Mary E	Terri C	Theresa H
8/28	Michele H	Dave E	Dorothy B
9/4	Bob C	Dorothy B	Children
9/11	Joe C	Sharon K	Children
9/18	Michele H	Dorothy B	Dave E.
9/25	Theresa H	Terri C	Mary E
10/2	Dave E	LaVonne N	Tom F
10/9	Heather G	Mary Ellen F	Deb S



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