

St. John's Journal

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LUTHERAN DISTINCTIVES

V. Lutherans believe that God works through the Means of Grace.
Part 1.

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When we say that we believe God works through the Means of Grace, that is a short hand way of saying this: We Lutherans recognize that God bestows forgiveness, life, and salvation on us by means of His Word, whether spoken, written, or combined with visible elements in the Sacraments. (We customarily call God's Word and the Sacraments the "Means of Grace.")

We recognize that God deals with us for our salvation through His external (written and spoken) Word, not by some sort of inspiration or feelings inside our hearts. God has spoken externally through the prophets, and ultimately through His Son, Jesus Christ. The apostles are messengers whom Christ sent to speak His Word. All this speaking is recorded for us in the Holy Scriptures. The external Word of God, as we receive it in the Scriptures, is God's means of proclaiming and distributing His gift of salvation to us.

We learn this truth from God Himself in the Scriptures. He says, for example, "Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ." *Romans 10:17* When Jesus was praying to His heavenly Father, He spoke of people "who will believe in Me through their (the disciples') word." *John 17:20* Again, the Bible says, "God from the beginning chose you for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth, to which He called you by our gospel." *2 Thessalonians 2:13-14* And yet again, "You have been begotten again, not of corruptible seed but incorruptible, through the word of God which lives and abides forever." *1 Peter 1:23* All these passages describe how

Christians come to faith in Christ and receive the gift of salvation *through God's Word*.

For this reason we Lutherans clearly state in our Confessions: "Through (the Gospel and the Sacraments), as through means, He gives the Holy Spirit, who works faith, when and where He pleases, in those who hear the Gospel.

...Condemned are the Anabaptists and others who teach that the Holy Spirit comes to us through our own preparations, thoughts, and works without the external word of the Gospel." *Augsburg Confession V:2,4* *Smalcald Articles III.VIII:3,9-10* and *Formula of Concord, Epitome I:4,13* are also excellent statements of our Scriptural confession.

By working through His external Word, God makes our salvation sure, giving us the confidence that it depends entirely on Him. He also protects us from the errors and deceit of people who claim to have the Holy Spirit or to speak from God apart from the Scriptures. Working through the Means of Grace is therefore yet another manifestation of God's loving kindness and gracious work for our salvation in Christ!

- Pastor Bishop

Matthew

Mark

Luke

John

**Christian Education
Sunday School**

**Perfect Attendance
September 2024**

None

**NOVEMBER
BIRTHDAYS**

Nov 01

Sheri McCann
Gabriel Page

Nov 02

Austin Lonergan

Nov 05

Sandy Ferguson
Zander Hopping
Nathaniel Thomas

Nov 07

Ethan Szadkowski

Nov 08

Daniel Leach

Nov 09

Lisa Pool
Trina Szadkowski

Nov 10

John Adkins II
Timothy Gay
Lori Maass

Nov 11

Josie Wooden

Nov 12

Carter Britton
Kayla Walsh

Nov 13

Robert Williamson III

Nov 14

Alison Morris
Madison Morris

Nov 15

Hank Nance

Nov 17

Bayley Driskell
Ross Gould
Trent Hoover
Mae Houge

Nov 18

Amanda Ferguson

Nov 19

Ray Barnes
Shaun Ivey
Trey Ivey
Reva Oliverius

Nov 20

Zane Dobbelaire
Jeffrey Ferree
Christian Tiona

Nov 21

Stefanie Wilson

Nov 22

Cheryl Ivey

Nov 23

Joyce Lonergan
Stephanie Morrison
Roran Snoble

Nov 24

Isabelle Terrell

Nov 25

Marcus Frankel

Nov 26

George Andrae
Ryan Rusk

Nov 27

Claudia Reeder
Doris Smith

Nov 28

Jack Ferguson
Joseph Lappie

Nov 29

Megan Etter
Carol Goodin

Nov 30

Gavin Glass
Leah Sipka

**NOVEMBER
ANNIVERSARIES**

Nov 04

Jeffrey & Victoria Plack

Nov 9

Adam & Jessica Kammeyer

Nov 11

Lyle & Doris Smith

Nov 12

Gregory & Susan Swibold



Nov 20

Joseph & Sheryll Hillman
John & Beverly Wieland

Nov 21

Ron & Sue Reising

Nov 23

Delmar & Kathleen Deiss
John & Ann Wilson



will be
**Thanksgiving Eve at 7:00 p.m.
November 27, 2024**

We urge all members to observe the national Day of Thanksgiving as what it is intended to be, a day of public thanks to God in church. Thanksgiving Eve service is also an excellent opportunity to bring guests to church!

THANK YOU to everyone who helped with our Music for Missions program last Sunday. The event was very well attended, and we received \$738 to help support Christo Rey (Christ the King) Lutheran Church in East Moline.

Trustees will be decorating the outside of the church on Saturday, Nov. 30 starting at 8:00 a.m. All volunteers are welcome to come and help.

Worship Committee will be decorating the inside of the church on Saturday, Nov. 30 at 8:00 a.m. Volunteers are more than welcome to come and help decorate.

PARISH NOTES



Church Attendance

Sept 2024 — **538**—15 services
Sept 2023 — **445**—12 services
Sept 2022 — **461**—12 services

Sunday School Attendance

Sept 2024: **1,164**
Sept 2023: **1,214**
Sept 2022: **1,133**

Worship

Sandy Tennell

Videographers

Jim Lonergan

Elders Communion

Assistance

Nov 03

8:00 a.m. Jon Bolt
10:30 a.m. Brian Ford

Nov 17

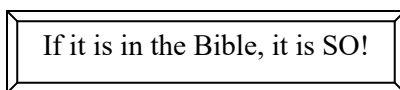
8:00 a.m. Ross Gould
10:30 a.m. Jon Bolt

IN NEED OF USHERS

We are in need of ushers, especially at the 10:30 service.

Ushers hand out bulletins, greet members and visitors, answer questions, collect offerings, direct communicants during communion and give directions to facilities as necessary.

If you are interested please let Vince Tennell (309-202-8868) know. Thank you.



November Ushers

8:00 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

Jerry Bohannan
Randy Couch
Steve Kesselmayr

Ross Gould
Jacob Gould

Acolytes

Nov 03 10:30 Silas Gould

Nov 10 10:30 Kenna Donovan

Nov 17 10:30 Silas Gould

Nov 24 10:30 Kenna Donovan

Thanksgiving Eve

Nov 28 7:30 Kenna Donovan

REMINDER

With the end of the year approaching, we will be looking for volunteers to help fill vacancies on the various committees. If you are asked, please consider helping.

Thank you.

The Flower Chart for 2025 is posted in the Narthex. Please sign-up for the Sunday(s) that you would like to provide flowers for the altar and **call the church office, 347-2136**, and let us know the information you would like in the bulletin.

If you would like a special arrangement for your date, please call Greenhouse Florist @ 347-5921. Cost is \$40 for 2 vases of flowers and \$10 for delivery, unless you order something special. Then we will let you know the cost.



Remember you can pick up your flowers after the 7 pm service (please leave the green liners) or Mon. to Fri. from 8:00 a.m. to 12 Noon.

**TREASURER'S REPORT
SEPTEMBER 2024**



**HI-LITES OF ST. JOHN'S VOTERS ASSEMBLY
October 14, 2024**

	<u>September</u>	<u>Y-T-D</u>
<u>INCOME</u>	\$30,370.41	\$276,370.56
<u>EXPENSES</u>	\$30,530.06	\$292,816.64
<u>INCOME</u>	\$ (159.65)	\$(16,446.08)
<u>EXPENSES</u>		
<u>General Fund Accounts</u>		
General Fund		24,880.00
General Fund Total		24,880.00
<u>Educational Fund Accounts</u>		
Educational Grant Fund Checking		1,948.56
Ed Grant CD LCMS 12/21		51,863.96
Ed Grant CD LCMS 12/22		51,835.93
Educational Grant Fund #2-Vanguard		65,327.10
Educational Fund Total		170,975.55
<u>East Bluff Property</u>		
East Bluff Property—Vanguard		39,776.19
East Bluff CD LCMS 12/21		53,741.35
East Bluff CD LCMS 12/22		53,770.40
Cat Stock at FMV		144,324.36
East Bluff Property Fund		291,612.30
<u>Memorial</u>		
Memorial Fund Checking		36,872.12
Memorial Vanguard		97,780.40
Memorial Fund Total		134,652.52
Building Fund Checking		37,558.33
Sunday School Fund Checking		11,212.47
TOTAL ASSETS		\$670,891.17
<u>Checking Account Balance</u>		
Checking Account Balance		12,471.48
Total		12,471.48
<u>LIABILITIES</u>		
Payroll Liabilities		2,764.94
Misc LCMS Orgs Fund		137.61
TOTAL LIABILITIES		2,902.52
<u>FUND BALANCE</u>		
Net Income (Loss)		55,095.13
Capital Accounts		612,893.52
TOTAL FUND BALANCE		667,988.65
TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE:		\$670,891.17

Ross Gould called the meeting to order. A quorum was not present so all motions will be held over until next month's meeting. Pastor Bishop opened with devotions.

The September Parish Report was reviewed.

The September meeting minutes were reviewed.

Treasurer's Report – Nancy Drockelman presented the September Treasurer's Report. There is a year-to-date deficit of \$16,446.08. The Sunday School transferred some of their funds from their checking account to be applied to one of the missions. Bob Oliverius inquired about some of the transactions on the check register. Nancy will have Rod Bollinger review and clarify the purpose of those transactions.

Board of Trustees – Dave Kesselmayr reported that the Trustees reviewed their budget and the only major increase was for insurance premiums for the church. The Trustees are waiting to hear back from Otto Baum. They have started the paperwork process. The women's bathroom in the new addition has been painted and a changing table installed. The Trustee's work day went well. They had a good turnout. Dave also indicated that there are approximately 8 of the old tables and 40-50 of the old chairs remaining. If anyone wants any of them for free before we get rid of them, please let Dave know. He will have Sandy Ferguson put something in the bulletin.

Board of Elders – Ross Gould reported that we have had 3 adult confirmations and one reaffirmation. The Elders discussed a recommendation from the Worship Committee to try another service from the Lutheran Service Book. It was recommended that the Worship Committee bring this up at the Voter's Assembly meeting. The Elders continue to try to contact inactive members. There are 2 confirmands this year. The Elders are working on their budget for next year.

Board of Finance – Nancy Drockelman reported that budget worksheets were given to committee chairs and they should be returned by the first of November.

Board of Christian Education – No report.

Board of Worship – Julie Wagner reported that the committee met last week. The Worship Committee will be hosting the supper before the second Advent service. The committee has filled all its positions for next year. The committee is working on their budget for next year. The committee will bring the topic of possibly using the service for the second Sunday from the Lutheran Service Book to the next meeting. A motion will be made at that meeting if there is a quorum. It was suggested that information about the differences in the current and proposed services be shared so the voters have more information in order to make a decision.

Board of Evangelism – Pastor Bishop indicated that the committee will be meeting tomorrow morning.

Board of Stewardship – No report.

Long Range Planning Committee – No report.

Educational Grant Fund Committee – Ross Gould indicated that it has been discussed in the past about using some of the funds for educational purposes. Ross believes that Rod Bollinger is working on some numbers so discussion can take place.

East Bluff Property Committee – No report. Ross indicated that discussion needs to take place to determine where the responsibility for this committee lies as there are currently no members. Ross suggested that maybe a committee consisting of a Trustee, an Elder, and someone from the Finance Committee would be appropriate.

Constitution By-laws Committee – No report. Ross indicated that prior to COVID some work was done regarding updating some of the by-laws. If anyone has any of the information from those meetings, please let Ross know. Work will be done to get this in motion again.

Unfinished business – Gary Pool indicated that he will have additional information in the coming months regarding the cemetery property on Veterans.

New business – John Neumann gave an update on the school. The balance on the mortgage currently stands at \$736,000. The Board gave verbal approval to a solar energy company to proceed with putting a solar field on the property to the east of the school. The school will need to get zoning approval. If the zoning is approved, the school will need to apply for a community program through the state. If approval is not received this year, the school would have to wait

until next year. There would be no cost to the school. If the school does not use all the energy, the member churches or eligible members from the congregations could also benefit.

An inquiry was made as to what the formula is for determining the number of students used to determine our payment to Good Shepherd. Ross Gould will request additional information from Joel Kilgus. Ross also reminded committee chairs to work on getting their members for next year.

Pastor Bishop thanked those people who participated in or helped with the Music for Missions service on October 12th.

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Wagner
Secretary

BALLOTS FOR 2025 will be issued at our November Voter's Meeting and we will vote on the ballot at the December Voter's Meeting. Here are the names of those who have terms expiring at the end of the year and the Chairman you can call if you would like to serve.

Trustees: Chairman - Dave Kesselmayer
Trent Hoover (2nd)

Elders: Chairman - Ross Gould
Randy Couch (1st)

Worship: Chairman - Julie Wagner
Paul Tackmann (1st) Vince Tennell (1st)

Christian Education: Chairman - Leslie Hauk
Leslie Hauk (2nd) Tish Harms (2nd)

Evangelism: Chairman - Joyce Lonergan
Joyce Lonergan (2nd)

Finance: Chairman - Nancy Drockelman
Cheryl Ivey (1st)

Good Shepherd Board Member:
Tish Daniels (2nd)

An individual who has only served one term is eligible to serve a second one. If you would like to serve on one of the committees or have a question, again please call the chairman.

We would like to have a slate of officers for the December meeting.

NOVEMBER LIBRARY CORNER

By Eileen Tiona



"What good is it for a man to gain the whole world, but forfeit his soul." Mark 8:36

If anyone borrowed Audio Bible Book "The Word of Promise," could you please return it as someone is asking to borrow it. Thank you.

I haven't any new books to report on this month, but you are welcome to come into the library and check out all the other wonderful books that are available for your enjoyment.

St. John's Women in Faith –LWML is collecting items for Pekin Outreach Initiative. Items needed for the winter are: men's socks; men's boxer shorts (sizes M & L); men's gloves (sizes M & L); hand and feet warmers; men's deodorant and razors. They can also use "slightly used" sleeping bags. Please bring your donated items to the church no later than Saturday, November 4. There will be boxes will be in the Narthex, elevator addition and gym. Thank you in advance for all for your help with our project from the members of LWML.

FRIENDSHIP SUNDAY AT ST. JOHN'S

We have another Friendship Sunday scheduled for Nov. 10. On this day St. John's members are encouraged to bring (or bring back) a friend to church. Pastor will have a sermon well suited for guests, and we will have coffee and donuts in the gym between services, with Christian literature available for adults and children. We are also planning a bratwurst dinner to be served following the 10:30 service. So please think of friends to invite, and make arrangements to bring them with you.

BRATWURST DINNER

In connection with our Friendship Sunday, Nov. 10, we will have a homemade (all pork) bratwurst dinner following the 10:30 service. This will be a potluck, with brats and buns, condiments, drinks, and table service provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.

PARENTS OF COLLEGE AGE STUDENTS or FAMILY MEMBERS IN THE MILITARY: Please let the office (347-2136) know the address of your college age members or if you have someone serving in our Armed Forces. We would like to send our college age students a gift card for Christmas plus send them our monthly newsletter and other information to keep them up to date on events at St. John's.

Friends In Harmony is pleased to announce that our annual Christmas performances will be on December 13 at 7:00 p.m. and December 14 at 2:00 p.m. They are still in the F.M. Peterson Theater in Pekin High School. This is our 19th year of helping to get our local community into the Holiday Spirit. Tickets are \$15 and are available at Steger's after October 27 or you can call Pam at 309-346-1896 to reserve your tickets.



Camp CILCA needs your help! The Act Like Men Work Day is Saturday, November 2 from 8am-12pm. The campground needs to be readied for the winter and many hands are needed to get things wrapped up. Lunch will be provided for all volunteers. Contact the camp office at 217-487-7497 or director@cilca.org to let us know you are coming so we have enough lunch for everyone. See you there!

Camp CILCA is hosting a game night for young adults (21+). There is no cost, just bring a friend, any games you want to play, snacks or sides to share. Hours are 3 to 6 p.m.

Camp CILCA will host a Women's Scrapbook Retreat—November 15-17. Cost is \$90 for your shared room and meals. (Private rooms are available upon request for \$120). Register at cilca.org/womens-scrapbooking-retreat.

SHUT-INS for the MONTH: Even though some of our members cannot attend church, we want to keep them in our thoughts and prayers and let them know they are not forgotten. Please send a card or pay a visit to these shut-ins this month.

Shut-ins for November are: Ray & Wilma Garber, 1111 S. 18th St., Pekin; Darrell & Donna Hansen, 100 Santa Maria Ct., Pekin; Elaine Hapke, resides at Bickford Senior Living, (use son's address for mail) 1092 Hershey Rd., Normal 61764-2521 and Anna Knussman, Charter Senior Living of Pekin, 700 S. 14th St., Rm. 116. Pekin. Thank you from your St. John's Ladies Guild.

Transferred To The
Church Triumphant

Vernice Funk
2/24/41
10/3/24

LIFE ESSAY CONTEST

Sponsored by Peoria Area Lutherans for Life
For 7th & 8th Grades

THEME: "I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well."
Psalm 139:14 (NIV)

Requirements: Please choose on of the following **Life Issues** and compose your essay keeping in mind the direction from God in the scripture verse above. We want to hear your beliefs about your topic expressed in a way that would be helpful and convincing for your readers.

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| Abortion | Stem Cell Research |
| Euthanasia | Cloning |

For more information, see the Life Essay document on the bulletin board in the gym.

Submit all entries no later than December 13, 2024 by mailing to:
Peoria Area Lutherans for Life
c/o Bob Wegner
1179 County Road 700 N
Eureka, IL 61530

Questions? Contact LFL President, Bob Wegner @ 309-481-4886, or cbwegner@outlook.com.

LIFE ESSAY CONTEST

Sponsored by Peoria Area Lutherans for Life
For High School Students

THEME: "I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well."
Psalm 139:14 (NIV)

Requirements: Please choose on of the following **Life Issues** and compose your essay keeping in mind the direction from God in the scripture verse above. We want to hear your beliefs about your topic expressed in a way that would be helpful and convincing for your readers.

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| Abortion | Stem Cell Research |
| Euthanasia | Cloning |
| In Vitro Fertilization | |

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Received a thank you letter from Concordia Seminar in St. Louis, Mo for our donation.

Lutherans for Life sent a thank you letter for our donation. Special thanks to your Sunday School Department for their donation to Help 4 Haiti.

Lutheran Heritage Foundation: Thank you very much, Rev. Bishop & St. John's Lutheran!! We are very grateful for your support! God's peace. Rev. Heise

**Reversing Roe: Part 4
(provided by Peoria Area Lutherans for Life)**

Abortion has been with us as humans for a very long time, but the modern history of abortion in our nation is easily traced back to the 1930's when eugenicist Margaret Sanger founded her American Birth Control League as part of what became known as the Racial Hygiene movement. Interestingly, she was an associate of Adolph Hitler and praised him for his racial politics of eugenics. During World War II Margaret changed the name of her organization to Planned Parenthood to disguise her affiliation with the Nazis. Today, Planned Parenthood is our nation's largest abortion provider, a 2-billion dollar business. Over \$500 million of their annual income is from U.S. taxpayers' money given to them by our government! When our Supreme Court Justices voted 5-4 to reverse Roe they ruled that it is now up to each state to decide whether or not abortion will be legal within that state's borders. At this time, every state that borders Illinois has laws that are either "most restrictive" or "very restrictive" as defined by the pro-abortion Guttmacher Institute. Illinois is categorized as "protective" of abortions, which is not surprising considering our governor's promise to make Illinois a "sanctuary state" for abortions. As a result, Planned Parenthood has constructed an 11,200 sq ft "state of the art" facility in Carbondale, Illinois. Opened in December, 2023, they call it the Carbondale Health Center and attract women from all across the nation. It is uncertain how effective abortion bans will be in saving babies' lives now that chemical abortion drugs are available in pharmacies and are being shipped through the mail to women who undergo their own abortions at home. Thank you for reading this book review. Please pray that God will lead our nation to respect life as His precious gift to all people. Also, please prepare yourself to vote for pro-life candidates on November 5th. Peoria Area Lutherans for Life will be providing voter guides and other voter education resources as they become available, or go to ivoterguide.com to start your candidate research now. God bless you.

Lutheran Women of Greater Peoria Present:
 Name that Tune—Taste that Wine!
 Wine Tasting and Musical FUN—For LSSI!

Enjoy a Wine tasting for adults (21 and above) at Mackinaw Valley Winery, Sunday November **10th, 2024, 2 pm**. You'll taste several Award-Winning Mackinaw Valley Vineyard wines, and play some musical games like "name that tune" and maybe even try to 'stump the piano player' with some NEW tune ideas.

Door Prizes, fun and fellowship and a light supper follow (Grilled by the Mackinaw Lions Club), and a Silent Auction and Raffle of donated items. Relax with live piano music by Don Bauer.

Enjoy the picturesque scenery and explore the winery and vineyards. Additional Wines, Hand-Made Chocolates, Ropp Cheeses and Donnie B's Gourmet Popcorn will be available for purchase.

Tickets are \$30 per person (write your checks payable to Lutheran Women of Greater Peoria) Proceeds will go to the LSSI Children's Community Services program.

ADVANCE TICKETS REQUIRED!

To get yours, mail a check and your Email address to: Pepper Bauer, 5220 S. Cameron Lane, Mapleton IL 61547 We will send you an Email receipt and hold tickets for you at the door. Questions? Call Pepper at (309) 697-5762 or Email: pepperbauer@att.net

LUTHERAN YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP (for ages 20-35) will meet @ Trinity Lutheran Church, 135 NE Randolph Ave., Peoria on Saturday, November 16, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Fellowship includes: food, games, movies, etc. For more information regarding this, please see bulletin board in gym.

YOUTH GROUP

It's time to help our senior members again. 5th grade – high school youth meet here at church Sunday, November 17 at 1:00 p.m. to help some of our senior members with leaf raking or other chores. Wear clothing suitable for outdoor work, and bring a leaf rake, if you can. Pizza follows.

CAN YOU USE SOME HELP with leaf raking, window washing, or other fall chores? Our youth group will be happy to help you Sunday, November 17. Contact Pastor Bishop at the church office if you'd like assistance.

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN SCHOOL NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

Nov 5 — No School, Election Day

Nov. 7 — Dining Out - Papa Murphy's

Nov 26 — Early Dismissal, Grandparents Day

Nov 27-29 — No School Thanksgiving Break

37th Annual THANKSGIVING DINNER

Pekin Township will be serving a turkey dinner to anyone who would enjoy a meal. It will be curb side pick-up from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on November 26. Menu consist of Turkey and dressing, mashed potatoes & gravy, green beans, rolls and pumpkin pie. Call 309-346-3194 by November 22 to reserve your meal for pickup in the Community Room parking lot on November 26. If you know of anyone who may need a meal, please tell them about the Thanksgiving Dinner.



Friends are a very rare jewel, indeed
 They make you smile and encourage you to succeed.
 They lend an ear, share a word of praise and
 they always open their hearts to us.

In Our Prayers

*If you know of anyone who needs to be added,
 please let the church office know.*

All our shut-ins

Pastor Niemann

Robert Rilea

Peggy Farlin

Addie Burling

Eileen Tiona

Gabriella Kesselmayr

Pat Proehl

Kellen Norman

Lee Morgan

John Durdle

Anna Knussman

Rosetta Turner

Kathy Daly-Unfricht

Bob Hurst

Deanna Oltman

Pam Woolsey

Sandy Morgan

Jeff Ferree

Debbie Miller

Julie Rilea

Keith Gleason

Paula Jensen

Suzanne Reising

Joyce Barnes

Ray Garber

Suzanne Reising

Butch Williams

Wilma Garber

Melvyn Gentry

Ruthanne Scott

Michelle Watson

Shirley Gentry

(Address Service Requested)

Bible Wordsearch

Wordsearch 258

Matt. 12:13-28

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Kingdom of God

BRUISED	AWARE
CHOSEN	DAVID
DELIGHT	DRIVE
FELLOW	FULFILL
JUSTICE	HEALED
KINGDOM	JUDGES
NATIONS	HOPE
PLOTTED	ISAIAH
PROCLAIM	ITSELF
PROPHET	JESUS
QUARREL	LEADS
RESTORED	PEOPLE
SERVANT	PRINCE
STRETCH	RUINED
THOUGHTS	SOUND
WARNING	SPIRIT
VICTORY	VOICE

After you find all the hidden words the left over letters spell out a Bible verse reading from the top left to the bottom right

