

Heart of Illinois Lutheran Parish



Immanuel Lutheran
Compton, IL



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Joint Worship Service

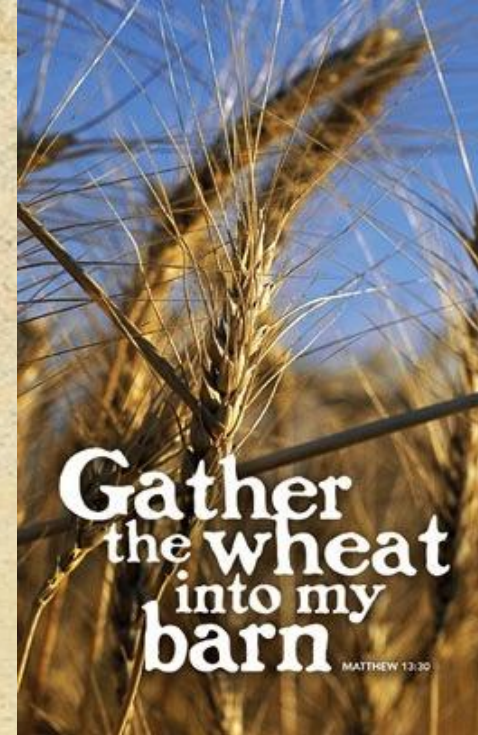
8th Sunday after Pentecost – July 30, 2017

9:30 a.m.

Call to Worship

This is the day that the Lord has
made,

**Let us rejoice and be glad in
it!**

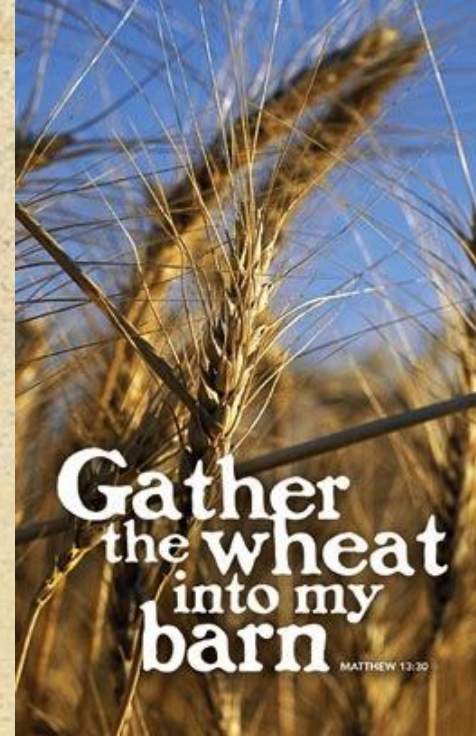


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Gathering Song – “Gather Us In” *ELW 532 (v. 1-3)*

1 Here in this place the new light is streaming, now is the darkness vanished away; see in this space our fears and our dreamings brought here to you in the light of this day.

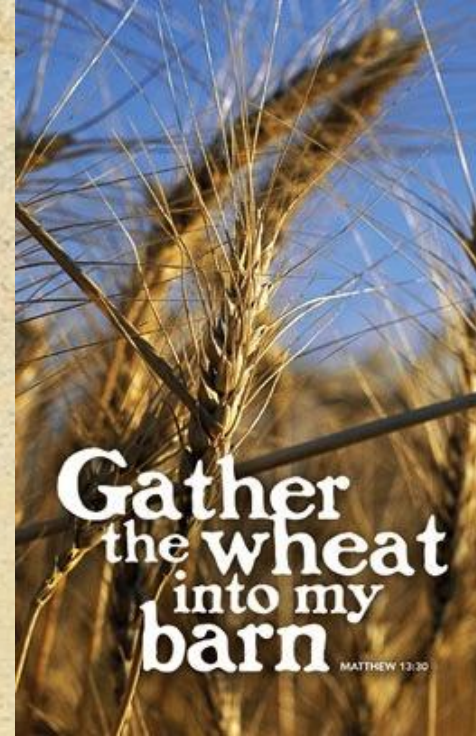
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken,
gather us in, the blind and the lame;
call to us now, and we shall awaken,
we shall arise at the sound of our
name.



Gathering Song – “Gather Us In” *ELW 532* (v. 1-3)

2 We are the young, our lives are a myst'ry, we are the old who yearn for your face; we have been sung throughout all of hist'ry, called to be light to the whole human race.

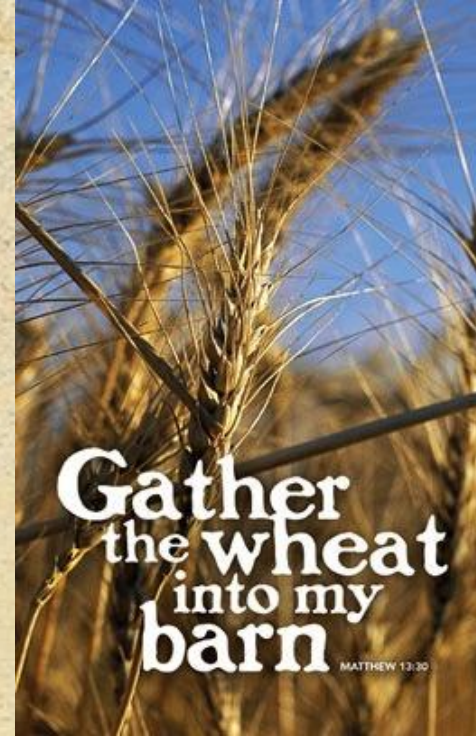
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty,
gather us in, the proud and the strong;
give us a heart, so meek and so lowly,
give us the courage to enter the song.



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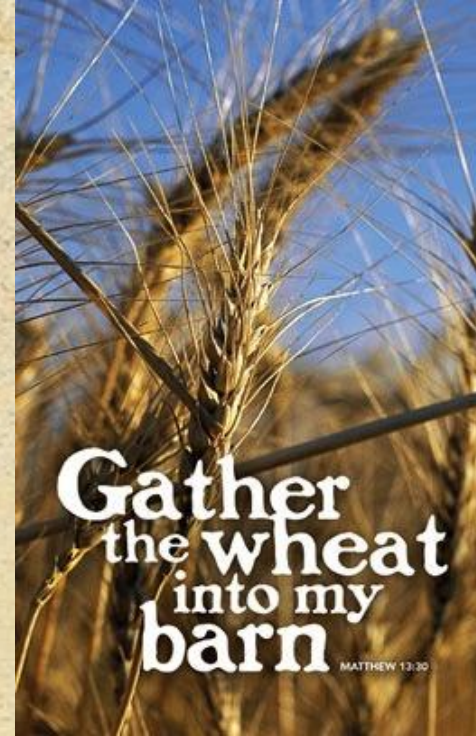
3 Here we will take the wine and the water, here we will take the bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daughters, call us anew to be salt for the earth.

Give us to drink the wine of compassion, give us to eat the bread that is you; nourish us well, and teach us to fashion lives that are holy and hearts that are true.



Welcome

- Please take a moment to sign the ***Friendship Pads***.
- We will be celebrating ***holy communion***. All are welcome.

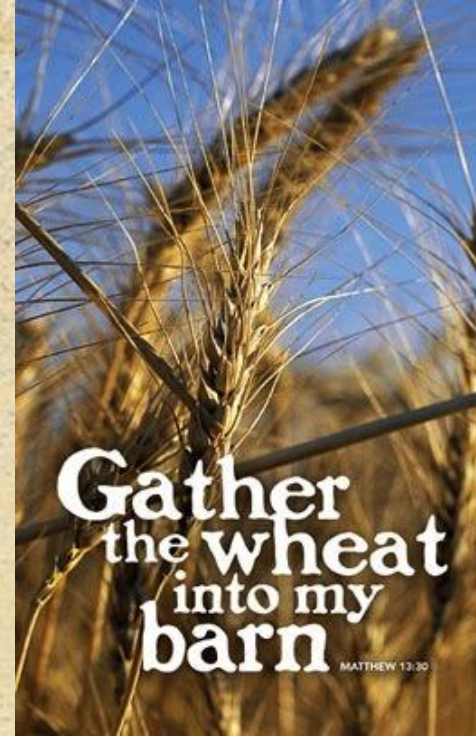


Living in God's Grace as a Neighbor to the World

Confession & Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, + and of the
Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.



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Confession & Forgiveness

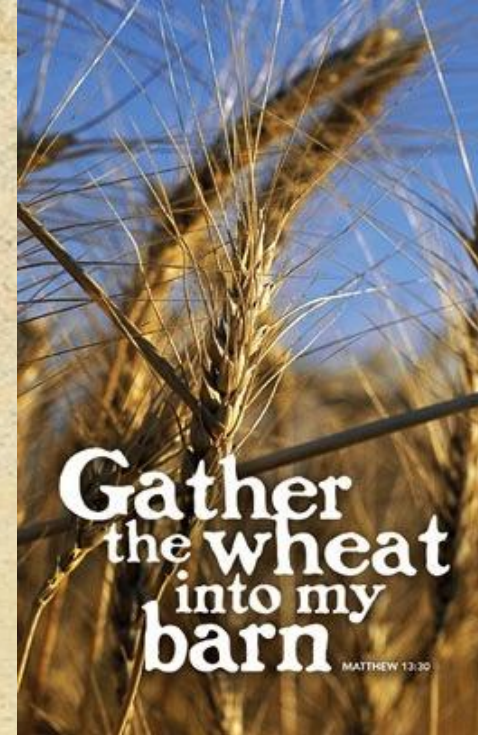
Let us pray.

Please join in singing... (tune of Amazing Grace)

Amazing God, our hearts are yours

**Bless now, our thoughts
and prayers**

**So as we worship and commune,
Your name is glorified.**

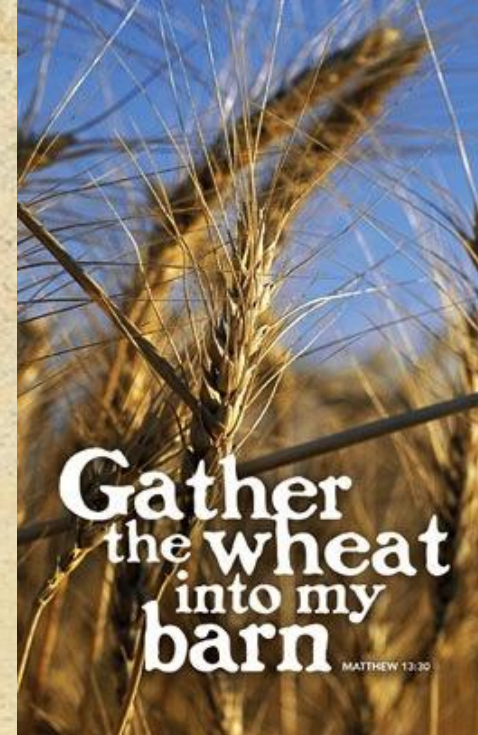


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Confession & Forgiveness

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Let us turn to God in confession....



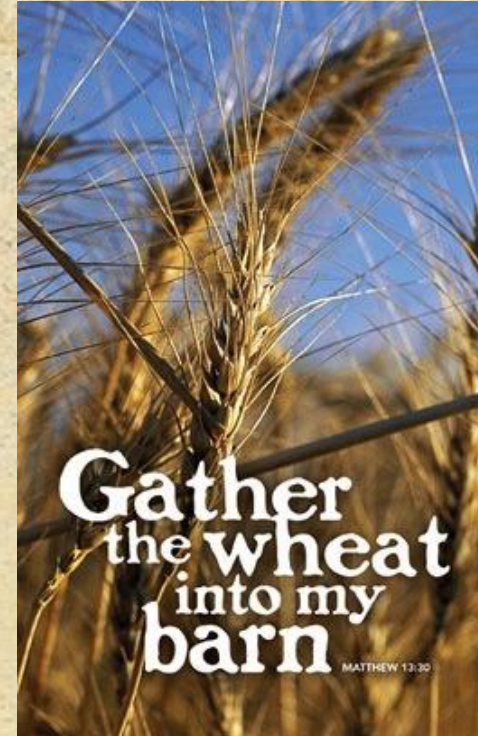
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Please join in singing... (tune of Amazing Grace)

**We ask, O God, your gracious will
Your mercy is our need.**

**We lie and cheat and steal and kill
in both our thought and deed.**

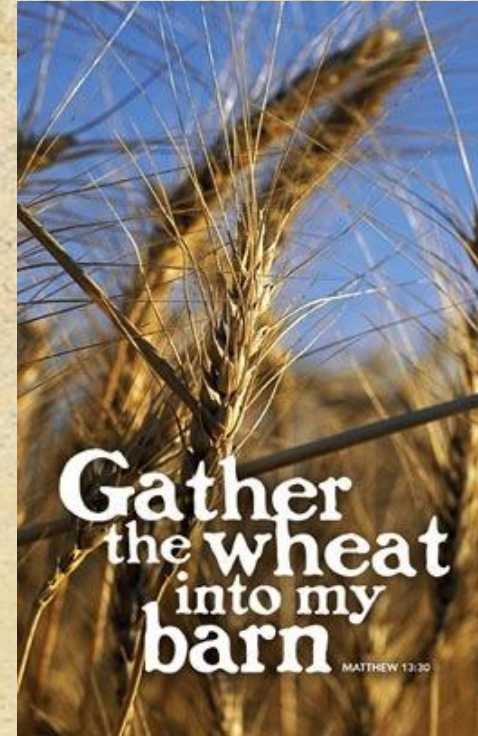


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**Tis grace we ask You to impart
to save us from our fault.
We have not loved You in
our heart,
nor neighbors as we ought.**

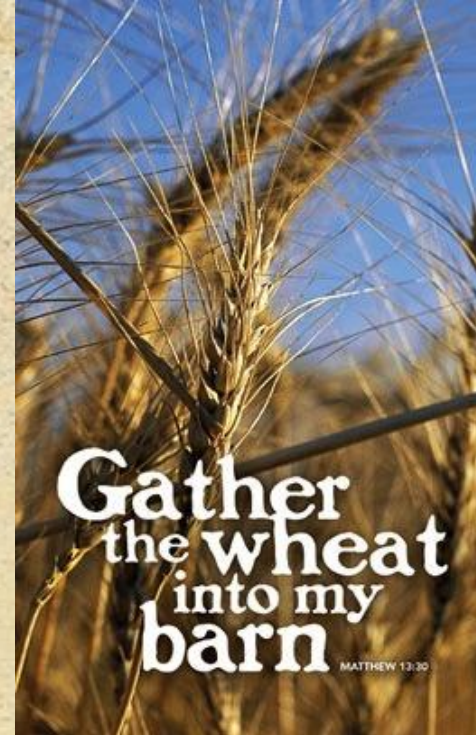


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Confession and Forgiveness

Brothers and Sisters, God is indeed amazing and full of grace! For in God's never ending mercy, a son was sent: Jesus Christ our Lord. It is through Christ's death that we, who were dead to sin, have been given life. So it is my privilege today to declare to you God's amazing grace: In the name of Christ, all of your sins are forgiven!

Amen.



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Song of Praise – *ELW 779* (v. 1, 4)

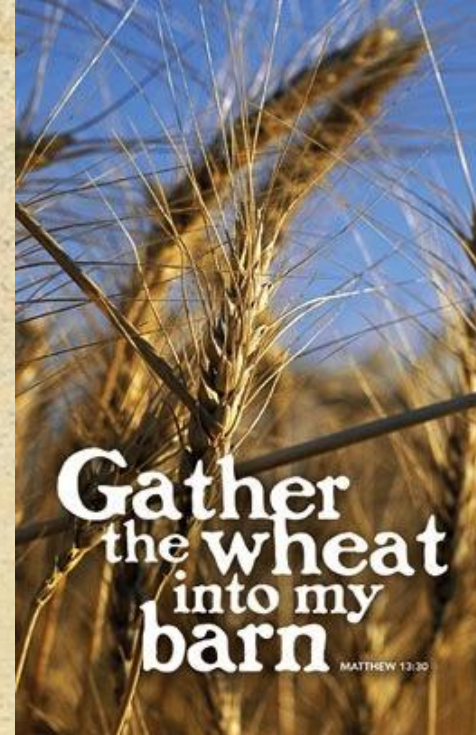
Please join in singing:

**Amazing grace how sweet the
sound**

That saved a wretch like me!

I once was lost, but now am found;

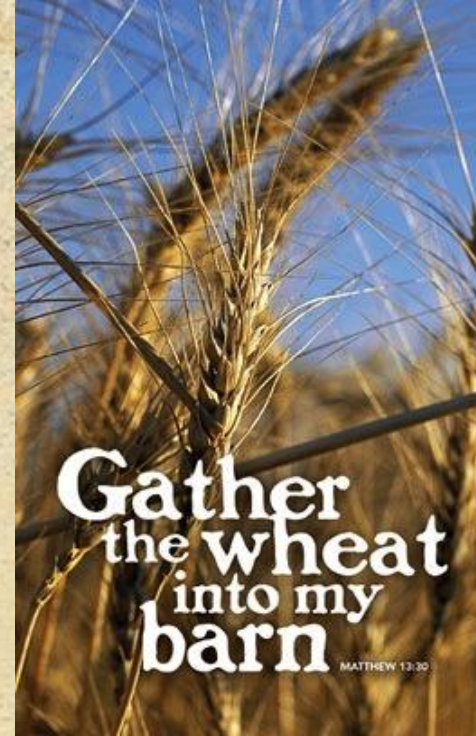
Was blind but now I see.



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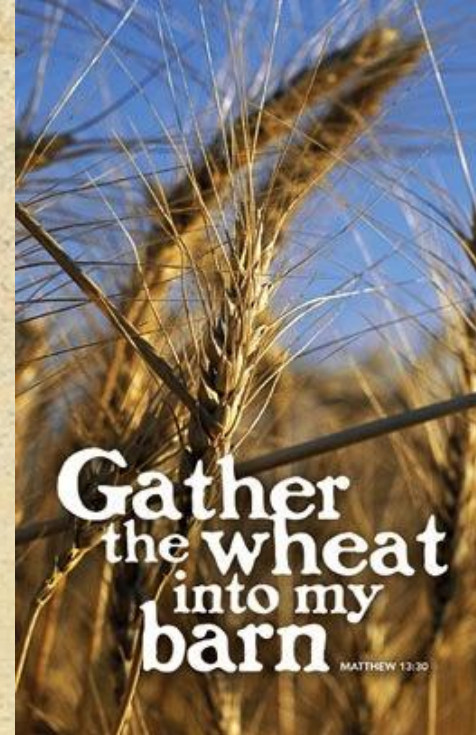
**The Lord has promised good to me;
His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.**



Apostolic Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

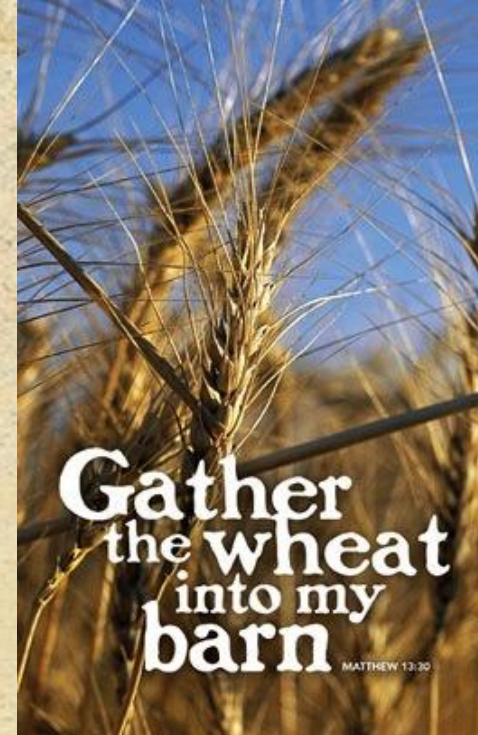
And also with you.



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Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. Beloved and sovereign God,
**through the death and resurrection
of your Son you bring us into your
kingdom of justice and mercy. By
your Spirit, give us your wisdom,
that we may treasure the life that
comes from Jesus Christ, our
Savior and Lord. Amen.**



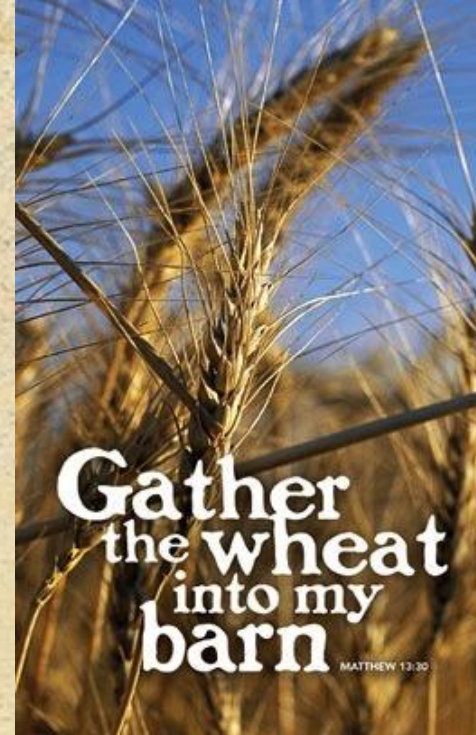
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Lessons

1st Lesson – 1 Kings 3:5-12

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Psalm 119:129-136

¹²⁹ Your decrees are wonderful; therefore I obey them with all my heart.

¹³⁰ **When your word is opened it gives light; it gives understanding to the simple.**

¹³¹ I open my mouth and pant because I long for your commandments.

¹³² **Turn to me and be gracious to me, as you always do to those who love your name.**

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Psalm 119:129-136

¹³³ Order my footsteps in your word; let no iniquity have dominion over me.

¹³⁴ **Rescue me from those who oppress me, and I will keep your commandments.**

¹³⁵ Let your face shine upon your servant and teach me your statutes.

¹³⁶ **My eyes shed streams of tears, because people do not keep your teaching.**

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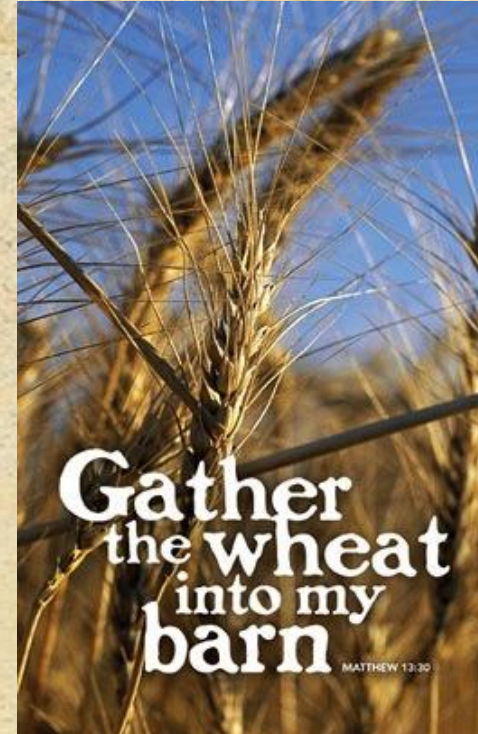
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2nd Lesson – Romans 8:26-39

Gospel – Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

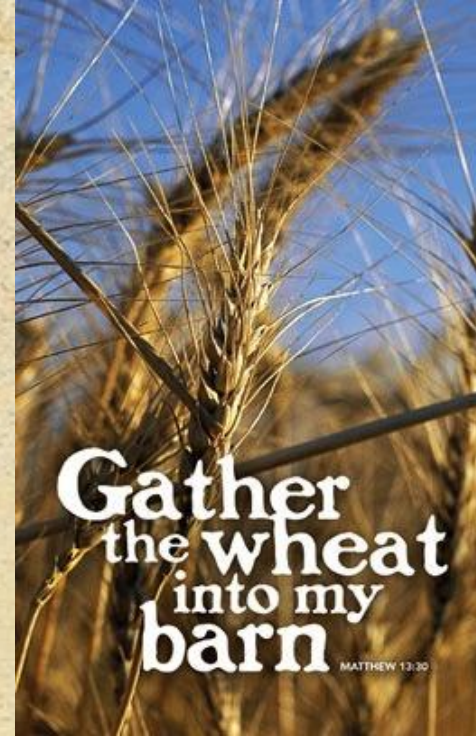
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Children's Time

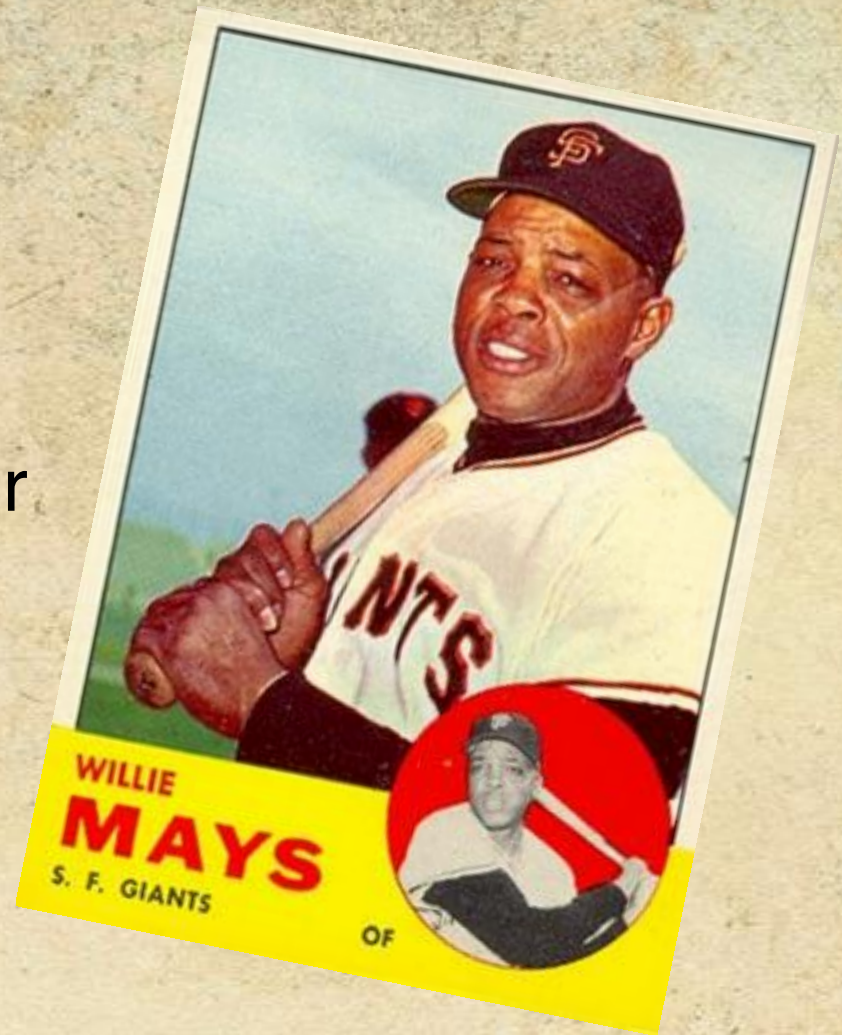
All those young (and young at heart) are welcome to come forward for a special time with the Pastor



Sermon

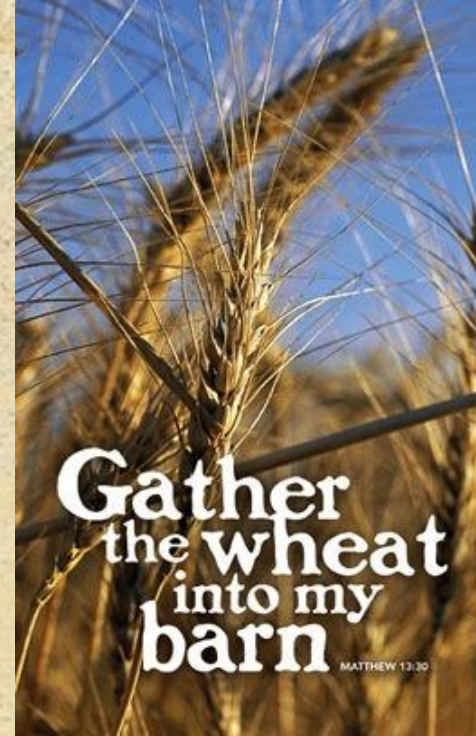
“The Parable of the Baseball Card”

Pastor Jeff Schlesinger



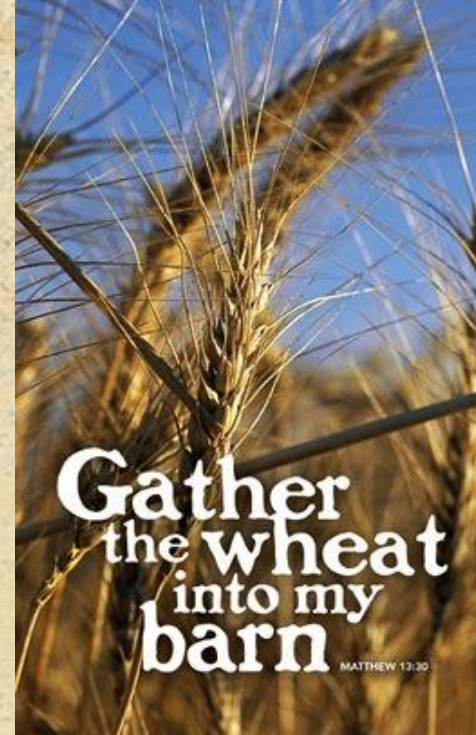
Song of the Day – “God of Grace and God of Glory” *ELW 705 (v. 1-3)*

- 1 God of grace and God of glory,
on your people pour your pow'r;
crown your ancient church's story;
bring its bud to glorious flow'r.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
for the facing of this hour,
for the facing of this hour.



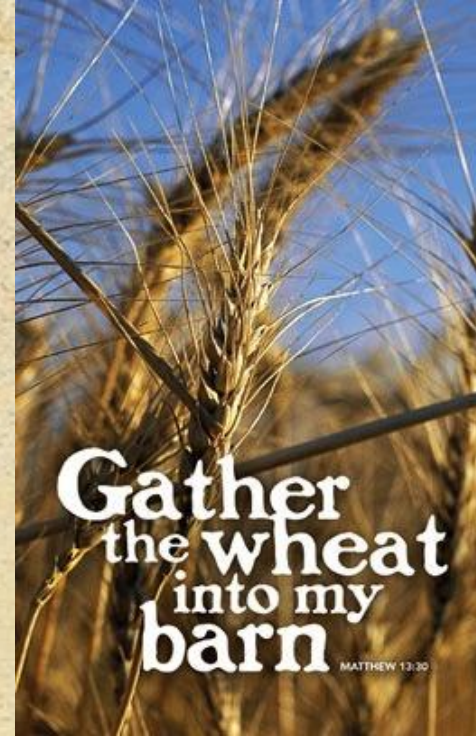
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2 Lo! the hosts of evil round us
scorn the Christ, assail his ways!
From the fears that long have bound
us
free our hearts to faith and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
for the living of these days,
for the living of these days.



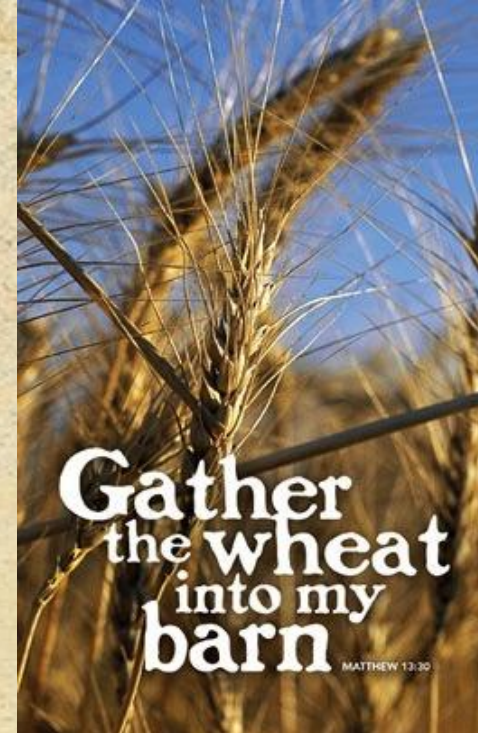
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3 Cure your children's warring madness;
bend our pride to your control;
shame our wanton, selfish gladness,
rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
lest we miss your kingdom's goal,
let we miss your kingdom's goal.



Baptism - *Presentation*

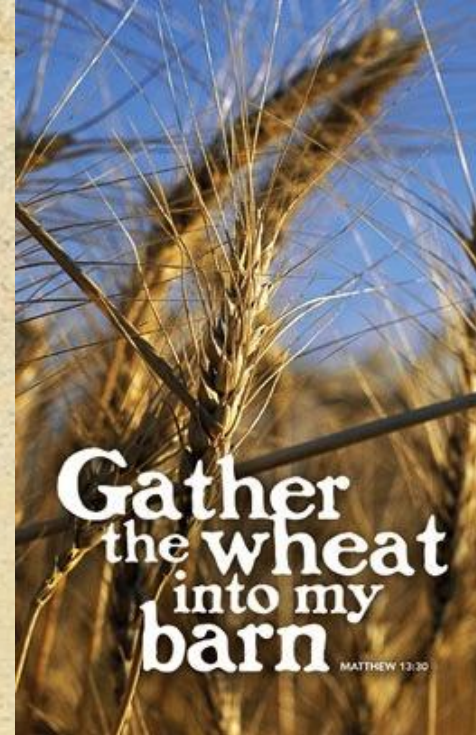
In baptism our gracious heavenly Father frees us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are born children of a fallen humanity; by water and the Holy Spirit we are reborn children of God and made members of the church, the body of Christ. Living with Christ and in the communion of saints, we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God.



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Baptism - *Presentation*

*Parents and Sponsors: We present
Shayne & Caytlin for the
sacrament of Holy Baptism.*

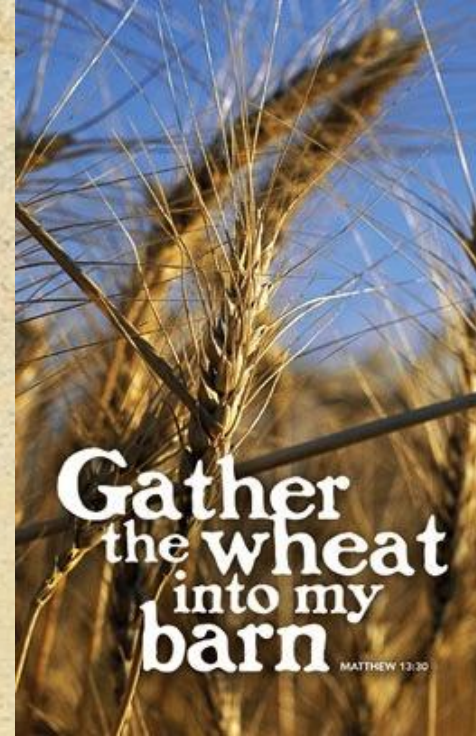


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Shayne & Caytlin, called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to be baptized?

Shayne & Caytlin: I do.



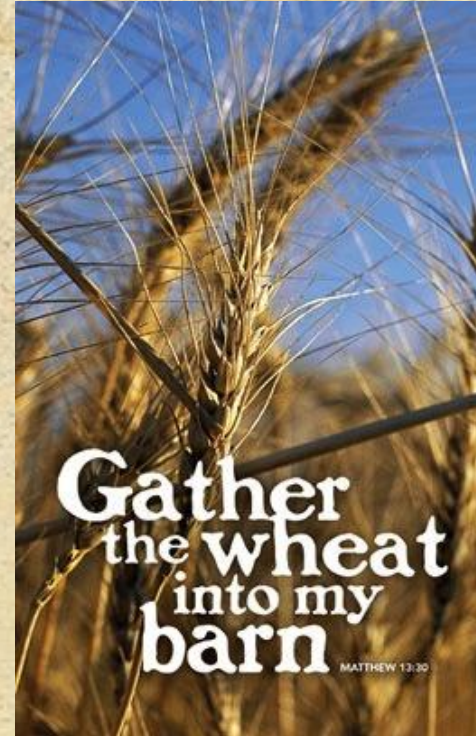
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As you bring Shayne & Caytlin to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities:

to live with them among God's faithful people,
bring them to the word of God and the holy supper,

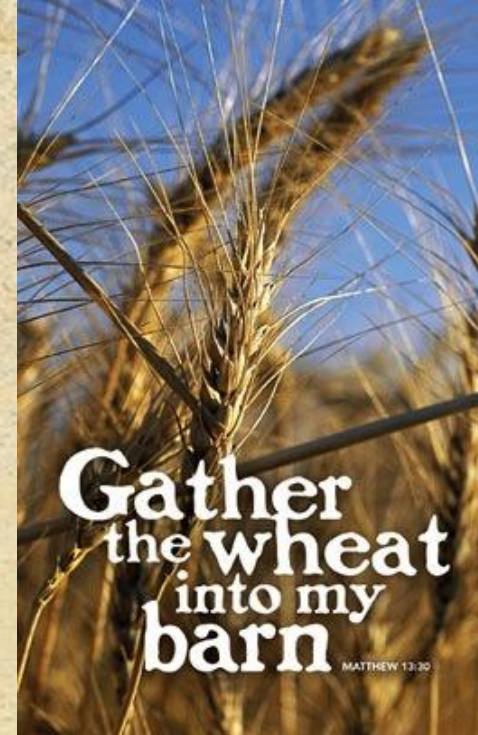
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Baptism - *Presentation*

teach them the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in their hands the holy scriptures, and nurture them in faith and prayer, so that they may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace.

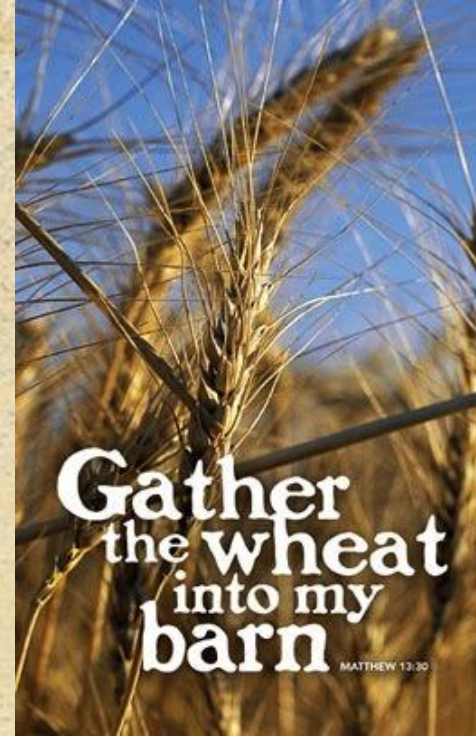


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Cynthia, do you promise to help
Shayne & Caytlin grow in the Christian
faith and life?

Parents: I do.

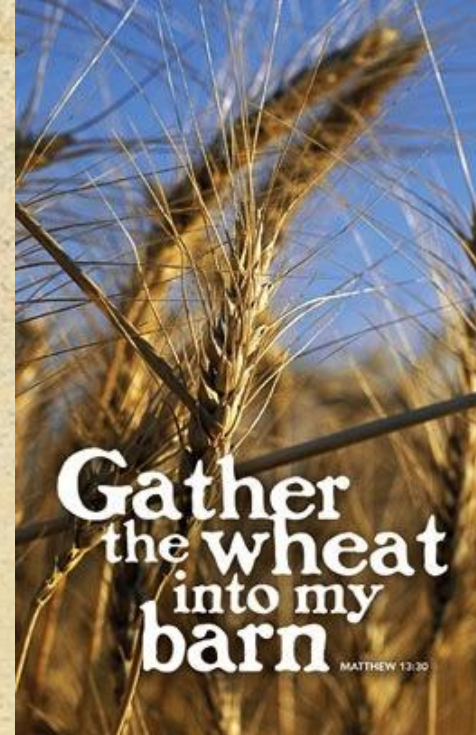


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John and Jill, as sponsors do you promise to nurture Shayne and Caytlin in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help them live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

Sponsors: I do.

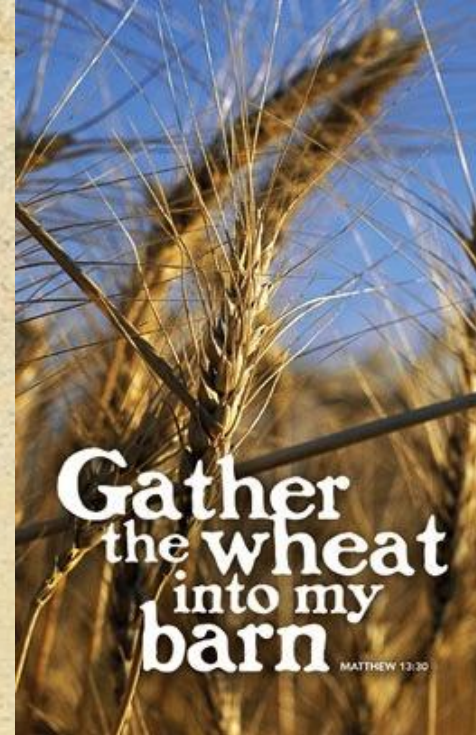


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Baptism - *Presentation*

People of God, do you promise to support Shayne and Caytlin and pray for their new life in Christ?

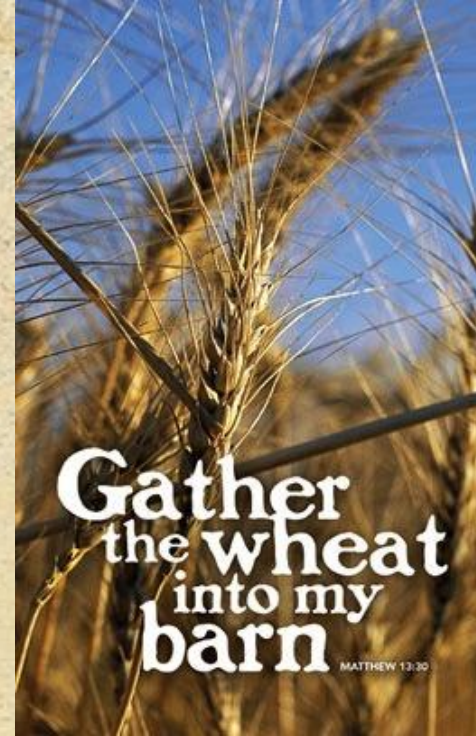
We do.



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Baptism – *Profession of Faith*

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.



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Baptism – *Profession of Faith*

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

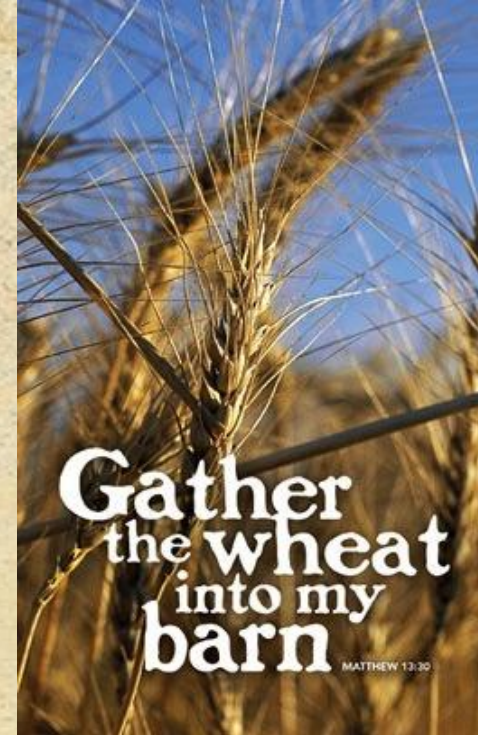
Shayne & Caytlin - ***I renounce them.***

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

Shayne & Caytlin - ***I renounce them.***

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

Shayne & Caytlin - ***I renounce them.***

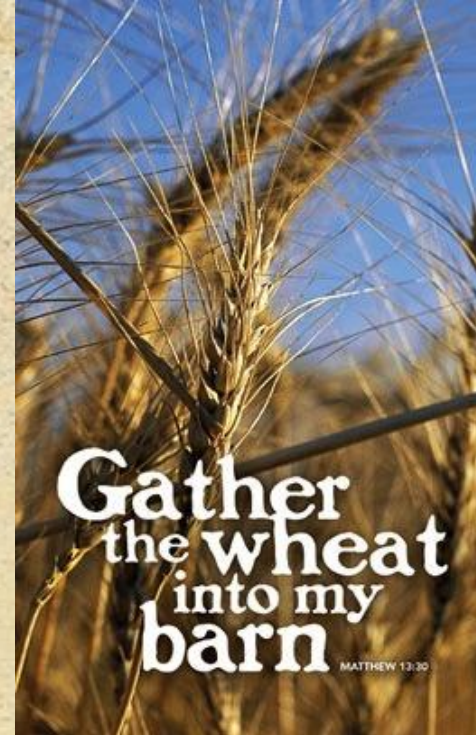


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Baptism – *Profession of Faith*

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father
almighty, creator of heaven and
earth.**



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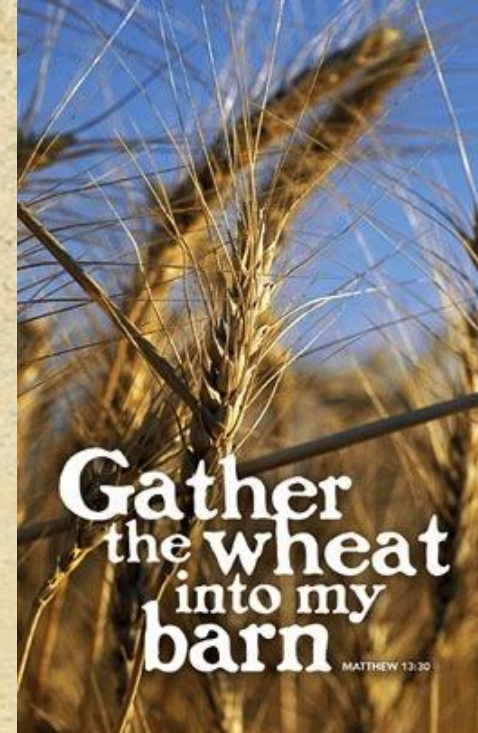
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Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the son of God?

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.

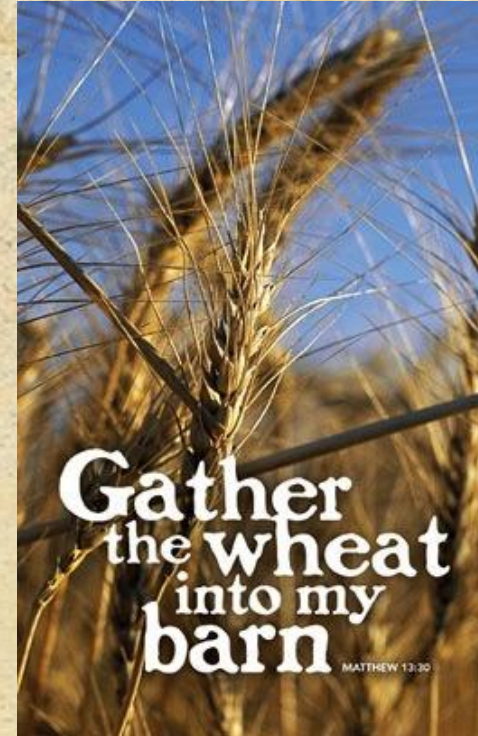
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On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven, he is
seated at the right hand of the
Father, and he will come to
judge the living and the dead.



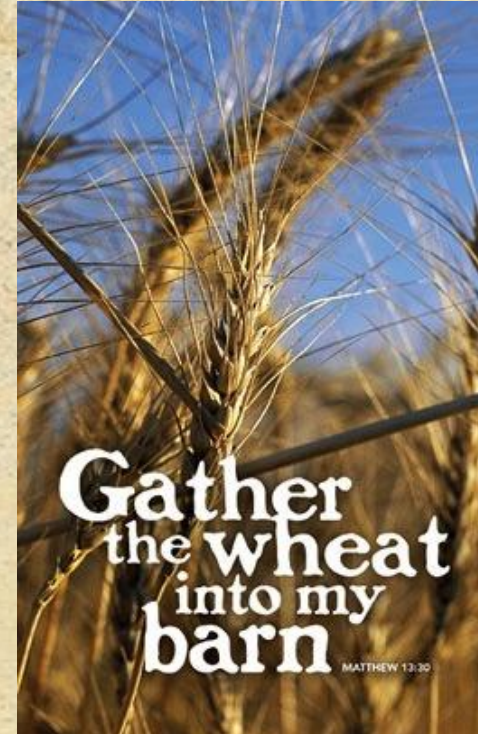
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Baptism – *Profession of Faith*

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

It is into that faith that we now baptize
Shayne Stephen and Caytlin Marie
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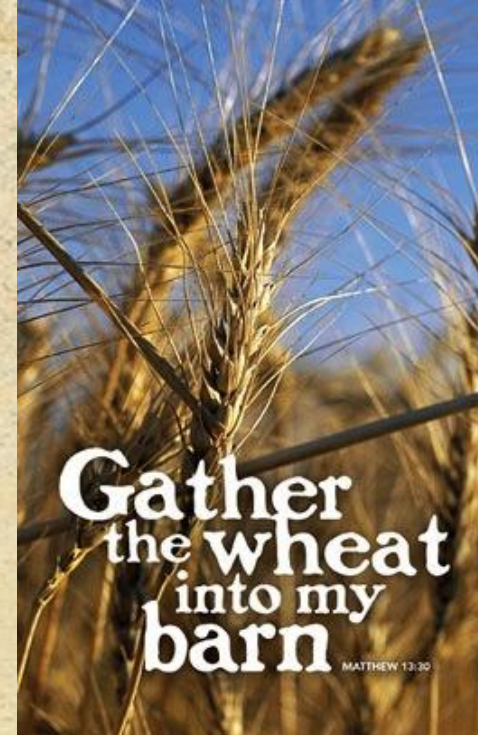
Baptism – *Thanksgiving at the Font*

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

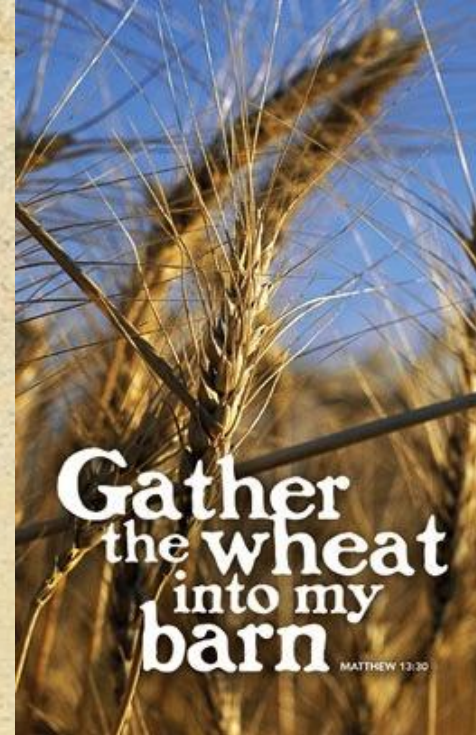


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We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.

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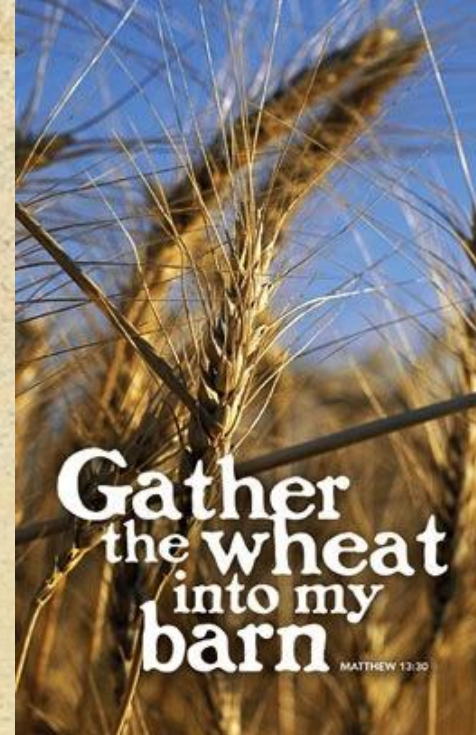


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At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

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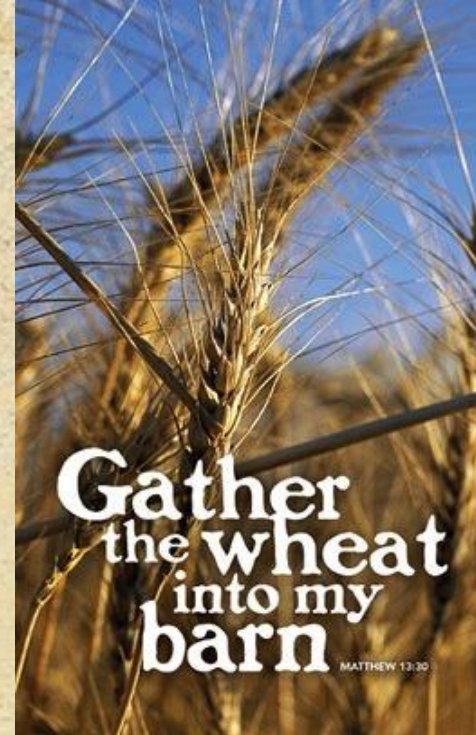


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Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that Shayne and Caytlin may be washed in the waters of baptism and given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

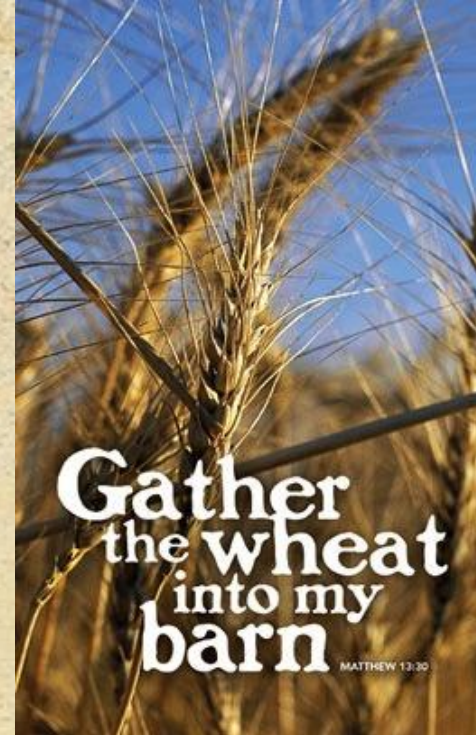


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Shayne Stephen, I baptize you in the name of the Father... and of the Son... and of the Holy Spirit.

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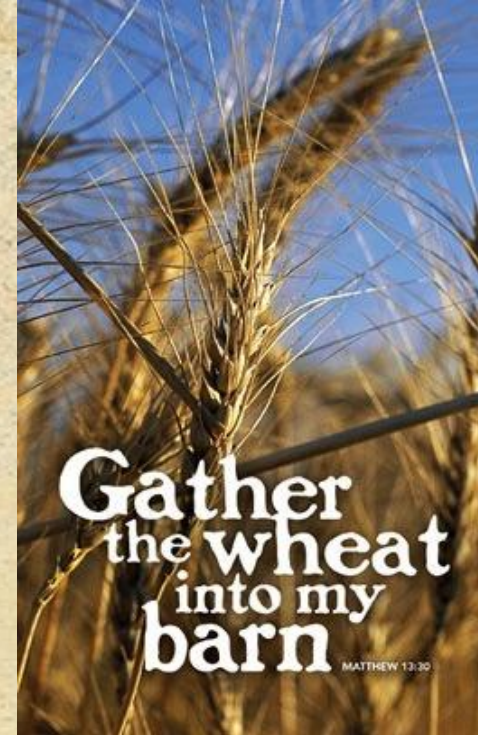


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Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life.

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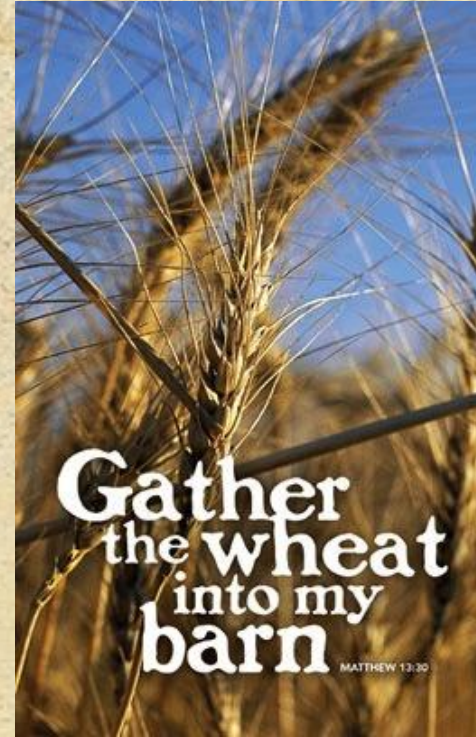


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Sustain Shayne with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

Amen.

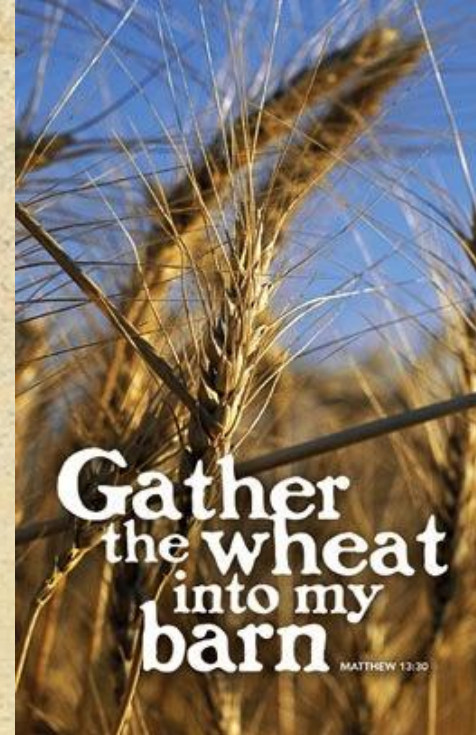


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Shayne, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

Amen.

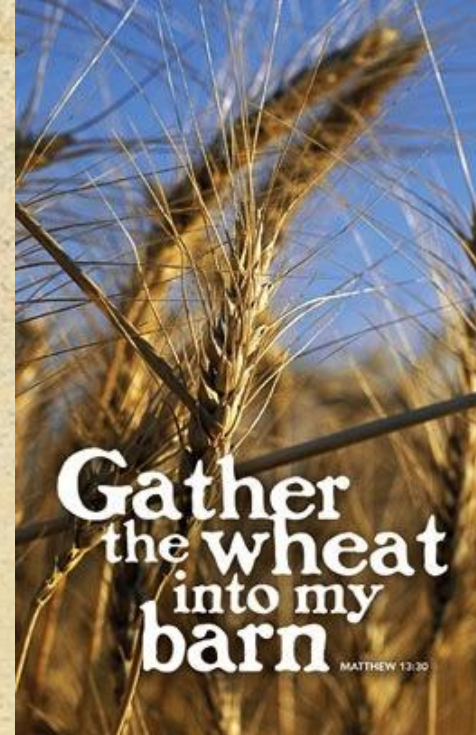


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Caytlin Marie, I baptize you in the name
of the Father... and of the Son... and of
the Holy Spirit.

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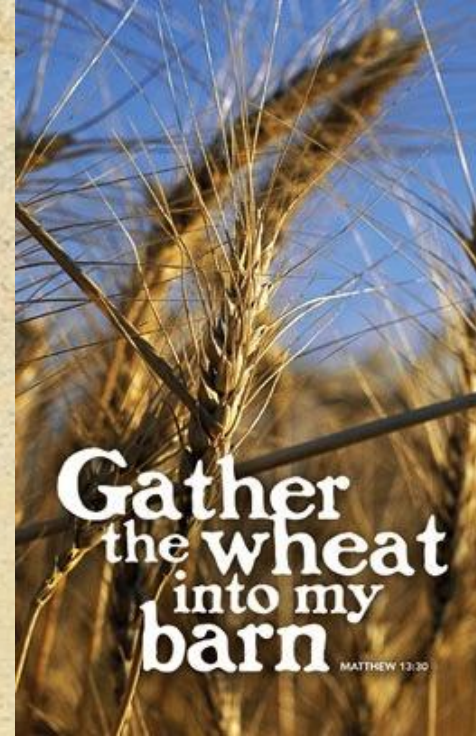


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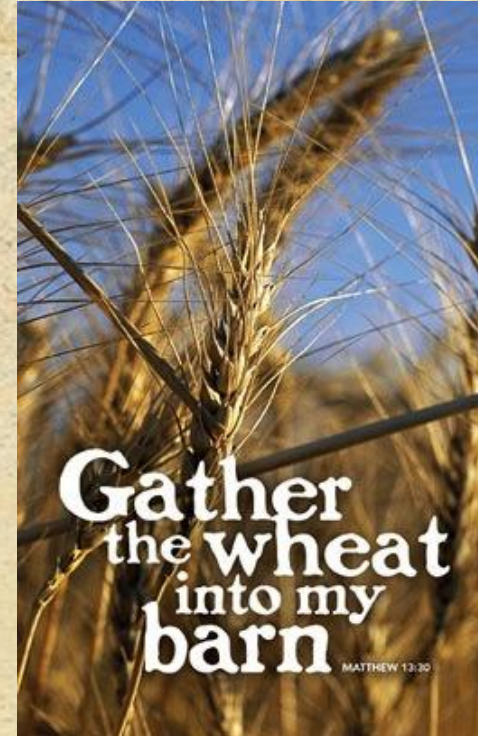


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Sustain Caytlin with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

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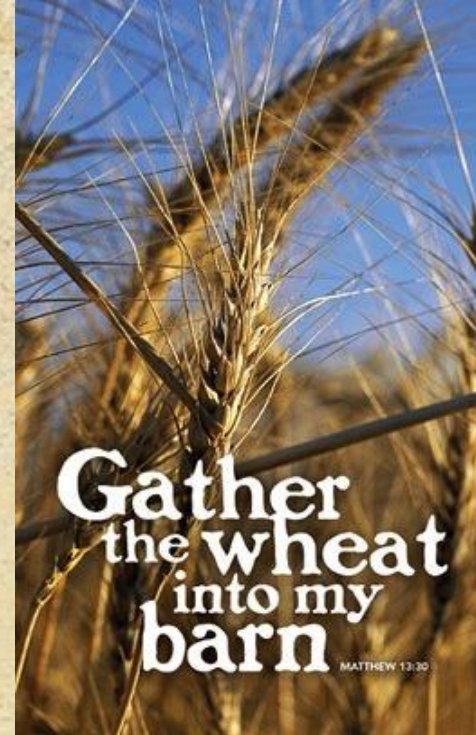


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Caytlin, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

Amen.

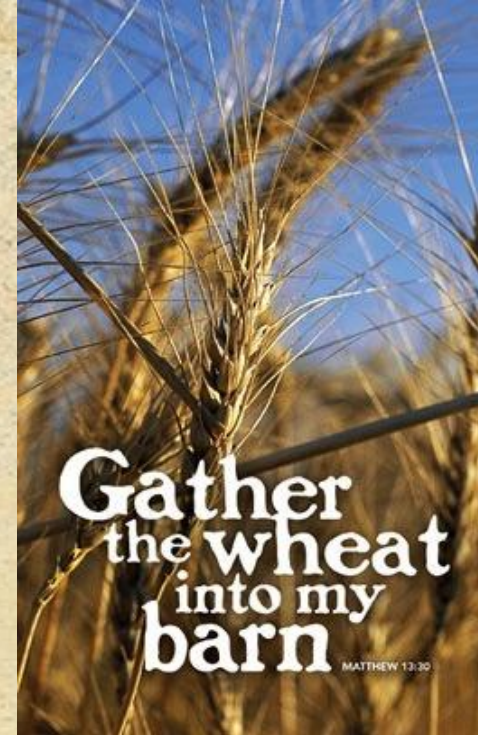


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Baptism - *Welcome*

As the candles are presented:

Shayne and Caytlin, let your lights so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

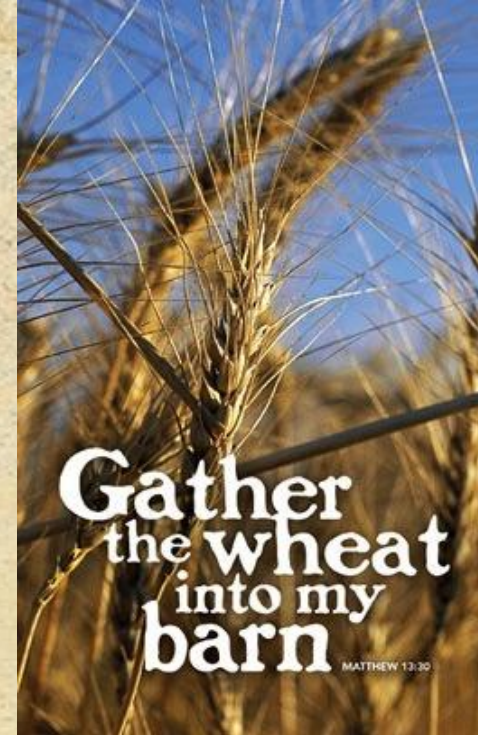


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Baptism - *Welcome*

Let us welcome the newest members of God's kingdom:

We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.



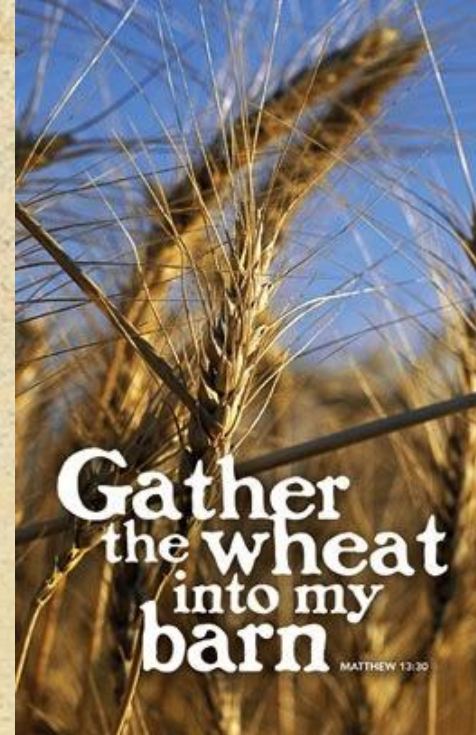
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Sharing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you
always.

And also with you.

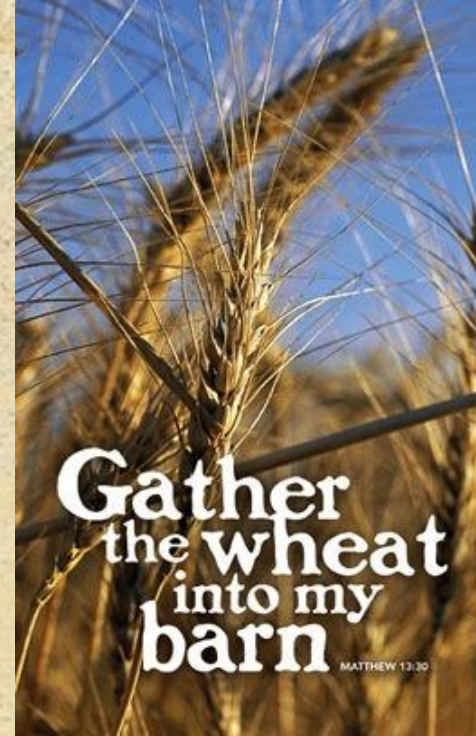
*Please turn to those around you and
share a sign of God's peace.*



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Offering

*We respond to God's grace by offering what God has first given us so that the good news of Jesus may continue to be proclaimed through the ministries of Immanuel Lutheran Church. **Thank you** for your generous response.*



Offering Song – *We Are an Offering* (ELW 692)

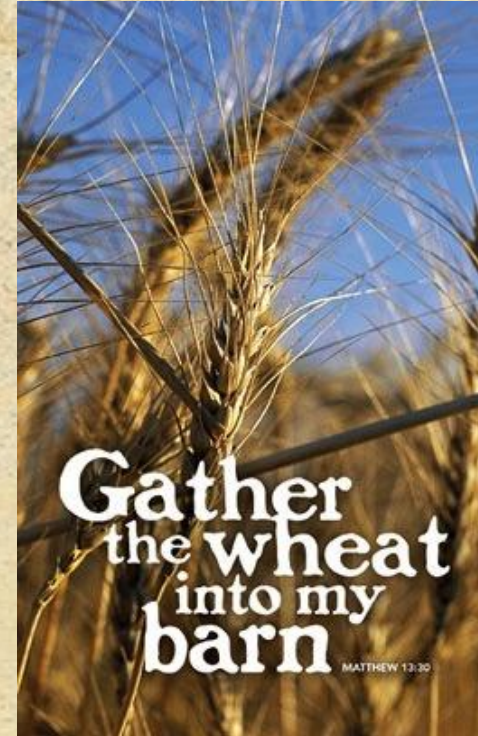
We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering.

Lord, use our voices, Lord use our hands,
Lord, use our lives, they are yours: we are an offering.

All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.

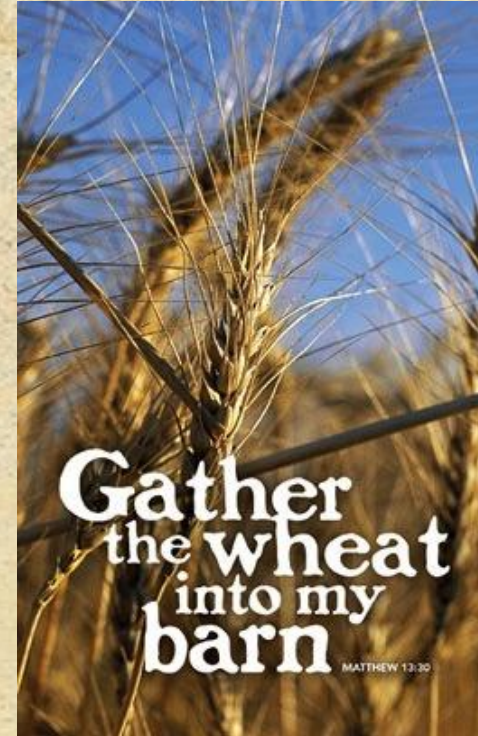
We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering.

We are an offering.



Offering Prayer

Let us pray. God of all creation,
**all you have made is good, and
your love endures forever. You
bring forth bread from the earth
and fruit from the vine. Nourish us
with these gifts, that we might be
for the world signs of your
gracious presence in Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord. Amen.**



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Communion

The Lord be with you.

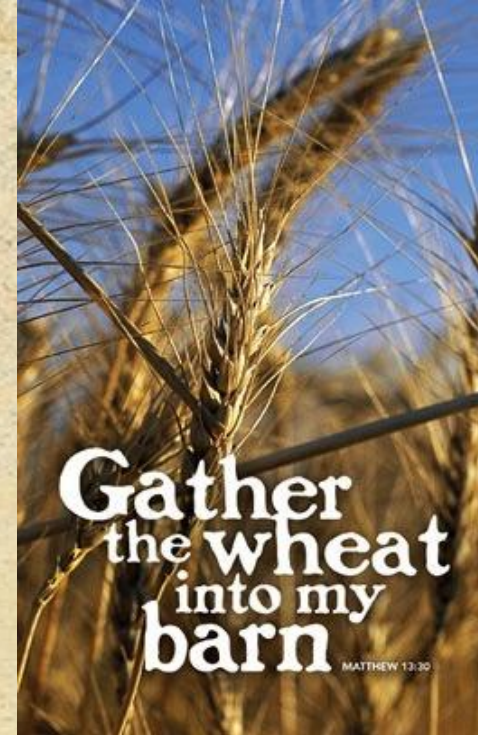
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

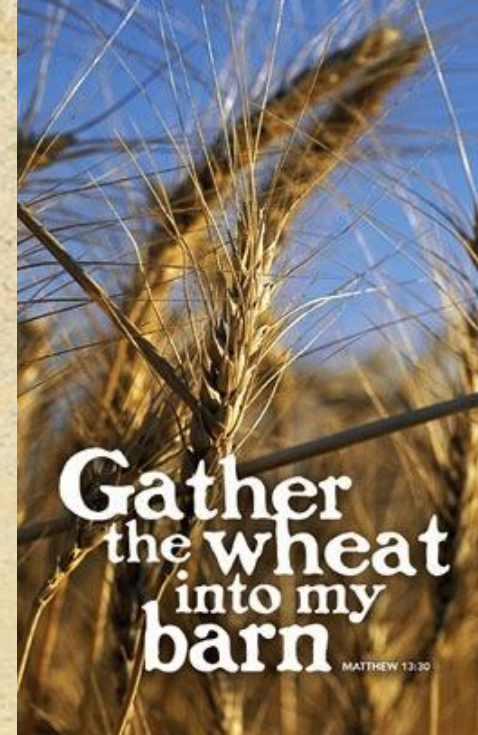


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Communion

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

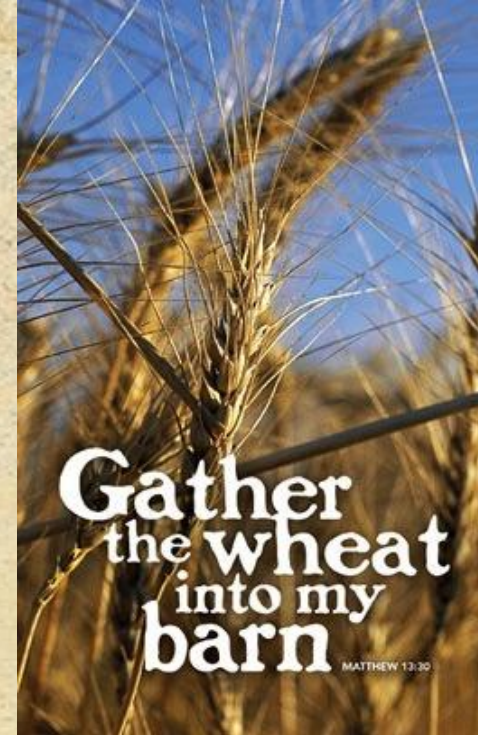


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Communion

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.



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Communion

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

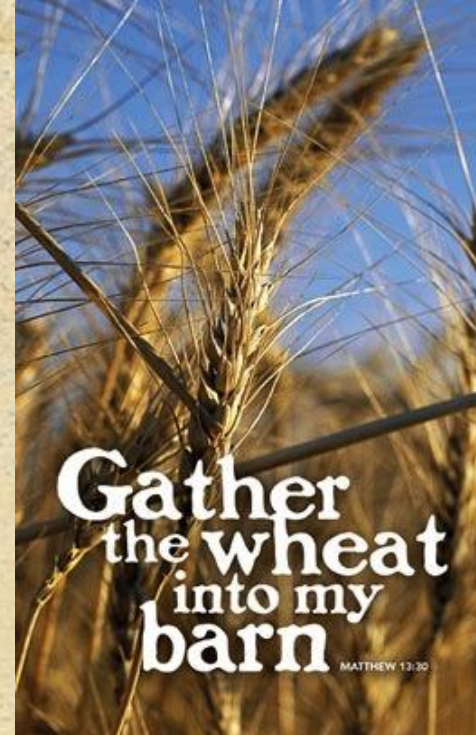
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

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Communion

The table is set. The gifts are ready. Come and receive God's grace.

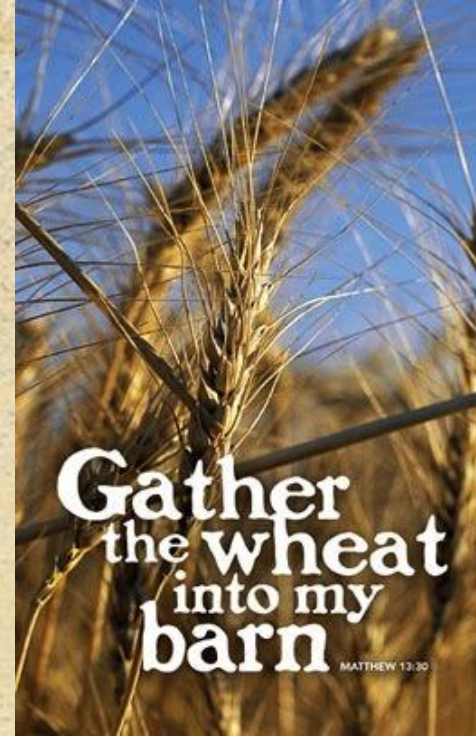


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Communion Distribution

*As we receive the bread and cup today,
we receive grace upon grace from
Jesus: forgiveness, new life and
salvation.*

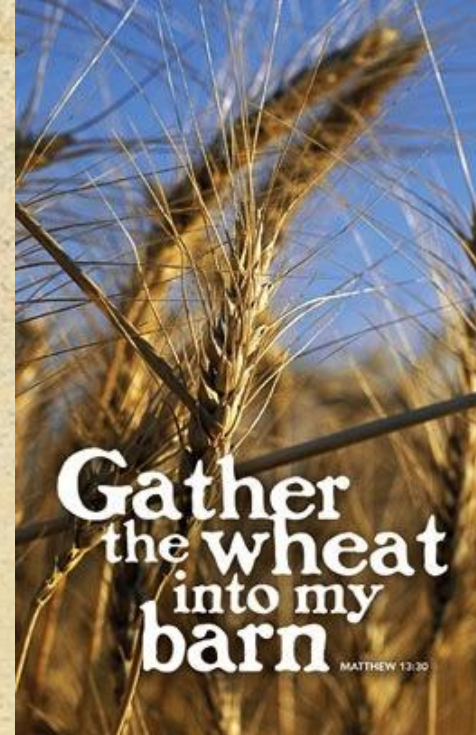
*Come and hold your hands out and
receive God's goodness with the holy
word of thanks: "**Amen!**"*



Communion Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which you have now received, strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

Amen.

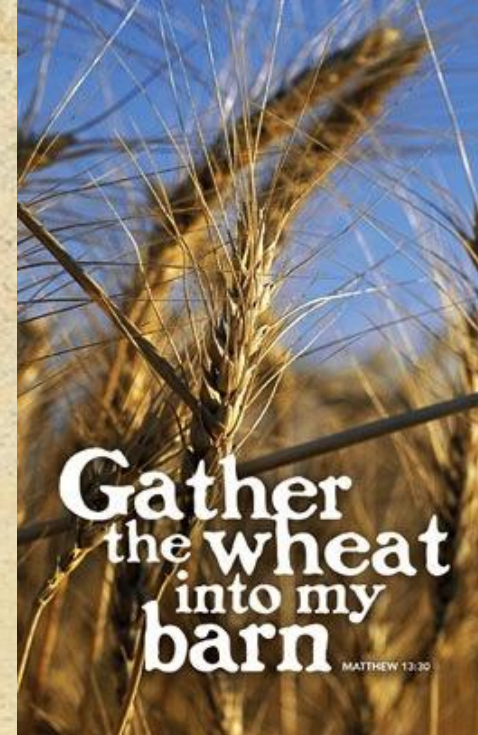


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Prayer after Communion

Let us pray. We give you thanks,
almighty God,

**that you have refreshed us through
the healing power of this gift of life.
In your mercy, strengthen us
through this gift, in faith toward you
and in fervent love toward one
another; for the sake of Jesus Christ
our Lord. Amen.**



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Announcements - *Upcoming Activities*

- **Sunday 7/30/17**
 - 9:30 a.m. – Joint Worship @ Immanuel
 - 10:33 a.m. – Parish Meeting
 - 10:45 a.m. – Parish Picnic
 - 3-7 p.m. – Ron Schlesinger Visitation
- **Monday 7/31/17** – Ron Schlesinger Funeral, 11:00 a.m.
- **Friday 8/4/17** - Bible Study @ Immanuel, 9:00 a.m.
- **Saturday 8/5/17** – Ice Cream Social @ Immanuel, 4:30-7:00 p.m.
- **Sunday 8/6/17**
 - 8:30 a.m. –Worship @ Immanuel
 - 10:30 a.m. – Worship @ First

Immanuel Lutheran Prayer Concerns



- Members – **Santiago Delgado** (*baptized last week*); **Shayne & Caytlin Prodzenski** (*baptized this week*); **Connie Schlesinger** and family at Ron's death; **Bonnie Childs, Claremont Mathesius, Cindy Schlesinger, Elaine Zimmerman, Hal Schlesinger, Fountain Neal**
- Friends & Family – family of **Byron Walter**; **Jenn Adams** (*Kim Ganz's cousin*); **Will Ruppert** (*Connie Schlesinger's Dad*); **Ron Yenerich** (*Connie Williams' brother*); **Hannah York** (*LuAnn Kromm's niece*) **Robert Hornung** (*LuAnn Kromm's brother*)
- Our Leaders - *ELCA Bishop Elizabeth Eaton; NIS Bishop Jeffrey Clements; Immanuel/First Pastor Jeff Schlesinger*

Are there additional prayer requests?

First Lutheran Prayer Concerns



- Members & Associates – **Ed Benner; Joan Benner**
- Friends & Family - **Christy Rhoads** (*friend of Thompsons*); **Warren & Wanda Hicks** (*Joe Corn's grandparents*); **Lorene** (*friend of Joyce Dolister*); **Tim** (*friend of Joyce*)
- Our Leaders - *ELCA Bishop Elizabeth Eaton; NIS Bishop Jeffrey Clements; Immanuel/First Pastor Jeff Schlesinger*

Benediction

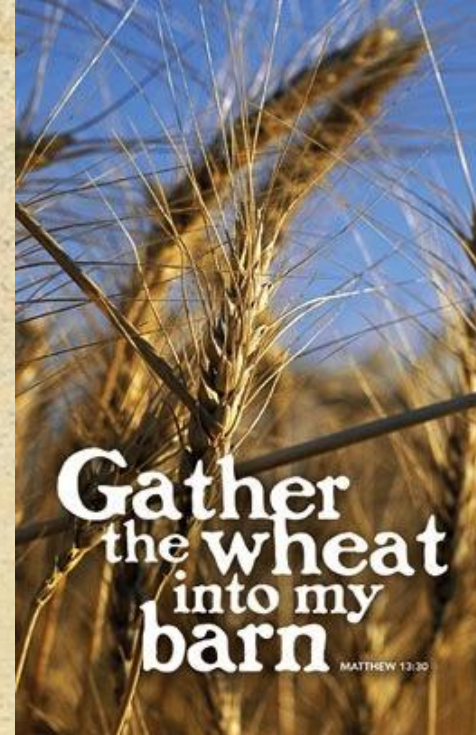
The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with
grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and
give you peace.

In the name of the Father, and ✠ of the
Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

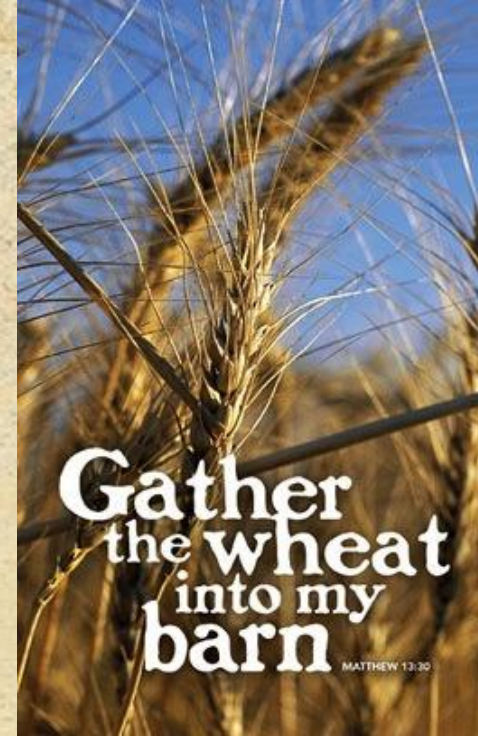
Amen.



Sending Song – “We All Are One in Mission”

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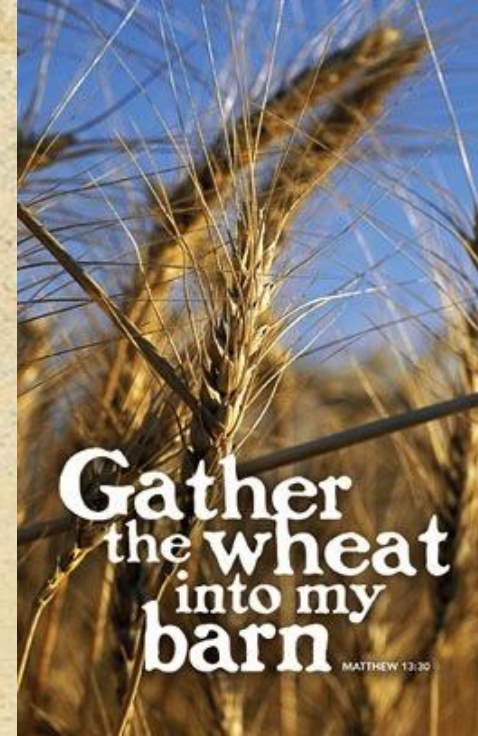
- 1 We all are one in mission;
we all are one in call,
our varied gifts united
by Christ, the Lord of all.
A single great commission
compels us from above
to plan and work together
that all may know Christ's love.



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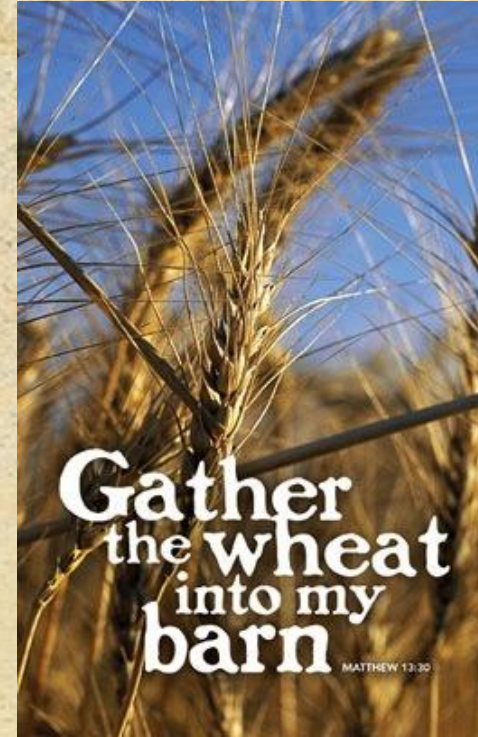
2 We all are called to service,
to witness in God's name.
Our ministries are diff'rent;
our purpose is the same:
to touch the lives of others
with God's surprising grace,
so ev'ry folk and nation
may feel God's warm embrace.



Sending Song – “We All Are One in Mission”

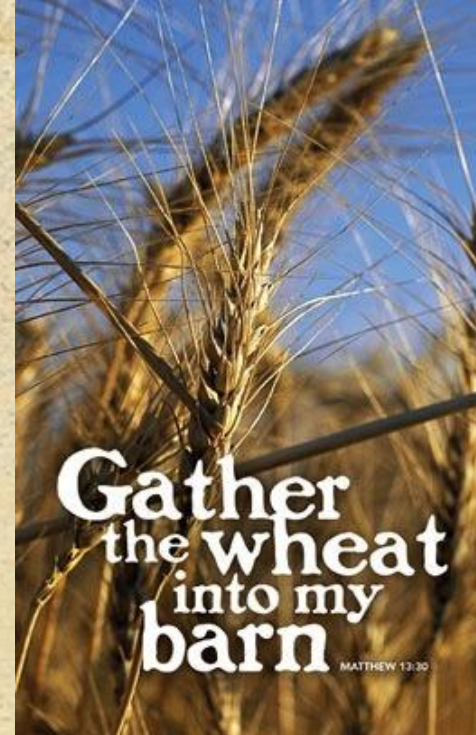
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3 Now let us be united,
and let our song be heard.
Now let us be a vessel
for God's redeeming Word.
We all are one in mission;
we all are one in call,
our varied gifts united
by Christ, the Lord of all.



Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord!
Thanks be to God!



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