

† FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST †
September 5, 2021

Outdoor Service of Holy Communion 9:00 a.m.
--

PRELUDE

Praise to the Lord

Sandra Eithun

WELCOME (*Hymns will be chosen during this time*)

INVOCATION and CONFESSION (*Congregation rising*)

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

C **Amen.**

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid:

C **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 Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

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

C **Gracious God, have mercy on us. In Your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by Your Spirit so that we may live and serve You in newness of life, to the honor and glory of Your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

OPENING HYMN CHOICE

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray:

C **O Lord, let Your merciful ears be open to the prayers of Your humble servants, and grant that what we ask may be in accord with Your gracious will; through Jesus Christ, Your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 35:4-7

⁴Say to those who are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you." ⁵Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; ⁶then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; ⁷the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

James 2:1-10, 14-17

¹My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? ²For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, ³and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," ⁴have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? ⁵Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? ⁶But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? ⁷Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you? ⁸You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ⁹But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. ¹⁰For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it.... ¹⁴What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? ¹⁵If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, ¹⁶and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? ¹⁷So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORY (*Congregation rising*)

P The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind.

C The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down.

P The Lord will reign forever; your God, O Zion, for all generations.

C Praise the Lord!

GOSPEL

Mark 7:24-37

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 7th chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁴From there [Jesus] set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape

notice, ²⁵but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. ²⁶Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syro-Phoenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. ²⁷He said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." ²⁸But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." ²⁹Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go – the demon has left your daughter." ³⁰So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone. ³¹Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. ³²They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. ³³He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. ³⁴Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." ³⁵And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. ³⁶Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. ³⁷They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

AGPS Hymn 261

SERMON

Rev. Scott Geminn

THE APOSTLES' CREED (*Congregation rising*)

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

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING & HYMN

They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love

AGPS Hymn 237

† HOLY COMMUNION †

PREFACE (*Congregation rising*)

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them up to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. By faith the saints of old held fast to Your promise of things hoped for though not yet seen. Grant that as we eat and drink this holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood, we may continue in the union of His mystical body, the Church, and be joined in unending praise with the faithful of every time and place. Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

C 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION and SIGN OF PEACE

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

P Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

C Lord, have mercy upon us and grant us Your peace.

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

P The gifts of God for the people of God.

C Thanks be to God.

DISTRIBUTION & HYMN CHOICE

(Worshippers are invited to come forward to receive the pre-packaged Communion kit, then return to your seat to eat and drink. Children and those not partaking of communion are welcome to come forward for a blessing. If you need assistance, please alert the pastor or usher.)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

P O God the Father, fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit, that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C Amen.

P Go in peace to serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

CLOSING HYMN

Sent Forth By God’s Blessing

AGPS **Hymn 208**

* * * * *

As you are able, please stack your chairs and return your hymnal to the book rack. The black plastic packets can be placed on the usher cart, along with any bulletins to be recycled.

All worshipers are invited to stop by the School Entrance (lower level) after the service for light refreshments.

COMMUNION STATEMENT

Village Lutheran Church welcomes to Holy Communion those baptized Christians who: ⊥Know Jesus Christ as their Savior (*John 20:31*); ⊥Recognize that the body and blood of Christ are truly present in the bread and wine (*1 Cor. 11:29*); ⊥Are able to examine themselves and repent of their sins (*1 Cor. 11:28*); and ⊥Look to God’s Holy Spirit for help in living the Christian life (*Col. 1:10*). Persons not receiving Communion may come forward to receive a blessing.

Service of Holy Communion 10:45 a.m.

PRELUDE

Praise to the Lord

John Behnke

INVOCATION and CONFESSION (*Congregation rising*)

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

C Amen.

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid:

C 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 Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

C Gracious God, have mercy on us. In Your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by Your Spirit so that we may live and serve You in newness of life, to the honor and glory of Your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

OPENING HYMN

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

LSB Hymn 790

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray:

C O Lord, let Your merciful ears be open to the prayers of Your humble servants, and grant that what we ask may be in accord with Your gracious will; through Jesus Christ, Your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 35:4-7

⁴Say to those who are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you." ⁵Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; ⁶then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; ⁷the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

James 2:1-10, 14-17

¹My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? ²For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, ³and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," ⁴have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? ⁵Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? ⁶But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? ⁷Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you? ⁸You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ⁹But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. ¹⁰For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it.... ¹⁴What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? ¹⁵If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, ¹⁶and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? ¹⁷So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORY (*Congregation rising*)

P The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind.

C The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down.

P The Lord will reign forever; your God, O Zion, for all generations.

C Praise the Lord!

GOSPEL

Mark 7:24-37

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 7th chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁴From there [Jesus] set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, ²⁵but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. ²⁶Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syro-Phoenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. ²⁷He said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." ²⁸But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." ²⁹Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go – the demon has left your daughter." ³⁰So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone. ³¹Then he returned

from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. ³²They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. ³³He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. ³⁴Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." ³⁵And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. ³⁶Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. ³⁷They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

LSB Hymn 770

SERMON

Rev. Scott Geminn

THE APOSTLES' CREED (*Congregation rising*)

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

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING/VOLUNTARY Lord, Bid Your Servant Go in Peace Charles Callahan

OFFERING HYMN (*Congregation rising*)

(LSB Hymn 805)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

† HOLY COMMUNION †

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them up to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. By faith the saints of old held fast to Your promise of things hoped for though not yet seen. Grant that as we eat and drink this holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood, we may continue in the union of His mystical body, the Church, and be joined in unending praise with the faithful of every time and place. Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

C 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION and SIGN OF PEACE

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

P Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

C Lord, have mercy upon us and grant us Your peace.

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

P The gifts of God for the people of God.

C Thanks be to God.

DISTRIBUTION

(Worshippers are invited to come forward to receive the pre-packaged Communion kit, then return to your seat to eat and drink. Children and those not partaking of communion are welcome to come forward for a blessing. If you need assistance, please alert the pastor or usher.)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

P O God the Father, fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit, that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

Sent Forth by God’s Blessing

LSB Hymn 643

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace to serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Doxology

Johann Pachelbel

* * * * *

Participants in the Service:

	9:00	10:45
Lector	Anton DeRosa	Kristin Pimentel
Usher Team	Anton DeRosa, Mark Runge Richard Graham Fred Swain	Elaine Podszus John Ansorge Kathy Coffey
Sexton	Joshua Gleason, Ava Renzo	
Refreshments	Sponsored by Daniel & Lydia Chao	

GOD BLESS PASTOR GEMINN

COVID SAFETY PROTOCOL:

- ❖ In view of current conditions due to the COVID-19 Delta variant, **it is strongly recommended that masks be worn for all indoor services, even if vaccinated.** Masks are still optional for outdoor services.
- ❖ Unvaccinated people, including children over 2, are asked to wear a mask at all times.
- ❖ Please pick up one Attendance Form per individual or family and place them in the offering plate during the service.

News and Notes:

Fall Worship Schedule - We will return to our regular schedule of three in-person services next weekend (September 11-12), with the first service on Saturday at 5:30 p.m., Sunday School during the 9:00 a.m. service, coffee hour between services, and the third service at 10:45 a.m. All services will be in the sanctuary and available on livestream for those who are unable to attend.

SOUP KITCHEN UPDATE! The soup kitchen is currently relocating. Therefore, our hosting date has been **moved to Wednesday, Sept. 22**. Menu is still baked ziti, meatballs, salad and brownies. Sign up to choose your food item, pick up a tray, prepare food at home, and drop off at church between 12:00 and 1:00 p.m. Contact Nelly Palumbo at 347-538-2909 or NPalumbo@thechapelschool.org

Blessing Basket/Food for ECAP: The Blessing Baskets are located in the Friendship Room under the piano. Bring in food donations when you come for worship or leave them with the receptionist during the week.

Blood Drive on September 11: VLC and The Chapel School are excited to again partner with the New York Blood Center on Saturday, September 11 from 9AM until 1:30PM to host a blood drive at the church. To secure an appointment online please visit: <https://tinyurl.com/911blood>

9/11 Remembrance: Join us at the 5:30 p.m. service on Saturday, September 11, as we observe the 20th anniversary of the terrorist attacks. This will feature a special message and liturgy. You are also invited to attend the Town of Eastchester memorial service to be held that morning at 8:35 a.m. in front of the Eastchester Town Hall, 40 Mill Road.

Rally Day is Sunday, September 12. All Sunday School classes will start out with their families in church at 9:00 a.m. After the presentation of bibles to 3rd graders and blessing of three-year-olds, classes will be dismissed together for the first day. We will also be celebrating the faculty, staff and families of The Chapel School as we "Reflect, Renew, and Rejoice."

Lay Deacon Training Classes will be offered this fall on Tuesday evenings from 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. over Zoom. The next class is an Old Testament survey course beginning on **Tuesday, September 14**. To get registered, contact the Church Office at 914-337-0207 x1003 or KRapillo@VLC-NY.org.

Wednesday Bible Study will resume on **September 15** at 10:45 a.m. in the Friendship Room. As it is the time of Yom Kippur, we will talk about its meaning and look at Psalm 130 on God's forgiveness.

Women's Bible Study/LWML will resume monthly meetings on **Saturday, Sept. 18, at 9:00 a.m.** in the MPR. This year's study will look at the words of Jesus from the Gospels. Plans will also be discussed for LWML Sunday on Oct. 3. All women are invited to attend any session during the year.

Music Ministry: We are looking forward to bringing back all of our music ensembles in worship. Rehearsals will begin in September as follows:

- **Chancel Choir** - Thursday, Sept. 16, at 7:30 p.m. We request that all members be vaccinated.
- **Village Belles** - Wednesday, Sept. 22, at 7:00 p.m.
- **Youth Choir** - Thursday, Sept. 23, at 7:00 p.m. under the direction of George Heath.
- **High School Choir** - Sunday, Sept. 26, at 10:15 a.m. with Mr. Heath.

For more information, contact Deb Reiss at DReiss@VLC-NY.org or George Heath at GHeath@VLC-NY.org.

Youth News: We are excited to resume our youth meetings and activities. Here are the starting dates for September:

- **Voyagers** (Grades 3-6) will meet with Erika Schultz outside on the playground on Thursdays, Sept. 16, 23 and 30 at 6:00 p.m.
- **Lifers/Confirmation** will have an orientation meeting with Sarah Nunes on Thursday, Sept. 23, at 6:00 p.m. in the MPR.
- **Crusaders** (Grades 9-12) will have an information meeting with Amy Heath during coffee hour on Sunday, Sept. 12, in the youth meeting room.

For more information, contact Erika Schultz at tyandbash@aol.com; Sarah Nunes at SNunes@VLC-NY.ORG; or Amy Heath at amyheath1023@gmail.com

Prayer Line: We pray for the sick and those experiencing any kind of difficulty: Gena Belloli, Jake Candelaria, Frank Clark, Kathy Cropp, Kathryn Haddad, Annabella Hansen, Ben Hartwell, Judy Hartwell, Suzanne Heinrich, Keith Hough, George Just, Deacon Joe Lamoureux, Frankie Lyman, Joshua Pedrosa and all U.S. troops, Sylvia Puig, Hilda Qualitero, Ralph Qualitero, Lisa Rodriguez, Willi Rosendahl, Michael Samaroo, Margaret Toal

Bereavement Prayer Line: We pray for those who are grieving the loss of a loved one.

- † **Carol Leone**, VLC member, who passed away on September 2, 2021
- † **Fatima Bekkaoui**, friend of Rowena del Castillo, who passed away on August 24, 2021
- † **Andy Rodriguez**, cousin of Nelly Palumbo, who passed away on August 23, 2021
- † **Grete Wrede**, sister of Ilse Koerper, who passed away on August 18, 2021
- † **Doris Peko**, mother of Lay Deacon Rich Peko and long-time head of food service at Concordia–New York, who passed away on August 13, 2021
- † **Lorenzo Padilla**, friend of the Runge family, who passed away on July 28, 2021

Village Lutheran Church and The Chapel School
172 White Plains Road, Bronxville, NY 10708
914-337-0207 + www.VLC-NY.ORG