

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH BARTLETT, TX
ELW Setting Four - Sunday, September 8, 2024
Sixteenth Sunday of Pentecost

Announcements

Prelude

Confession and Forgiveness (ELW p. 94)

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom 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 Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Amen.

Gathering Song - For the Beauty of the Earth - ELW Hymn #879

For the Beauty of the Earth

1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the beau - ty of the skies,
2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,
3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,
4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,
5 For each per - fect gift of thine, peace on earth and joy in heav'n;

for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies:
hill and vale and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light:
for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight:
friends on earth and friends a - bove; for all gen - tle thoughts and mild:
for thy - self, best gift di - vine, to our world so free - ly giv'n:

Refrain
Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sac - ri - fice of praise.

Text: Follitt S. Pierpoint, 1835–1917, alt.
Music: DIX, Conrad Kocher, 1786–1872

Greeting (ELW p. 147)

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.

Kyrie (ELW p. 147)

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above,
and for our salvation,
let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world,
for the well-being of the Church of God,
and for the unity of all,
let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house,
and for all who offer here their worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

Canticle of Praise (ELW p. 148)

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

**Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ,
only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Prayer of the Day (ELW p. 150)

Let us pray.

Gracious God, throughout the ages you transform sickness into health and death into life. Open us to the power of your presence, and make us a people ready to proclaim your promises to the whole world, through Jesus Christ, our healer and Lord. Amen.

Song - If You But Trust in God to Guide You - ELW Hymn #769

If You But Trust in God to Guide You

1 If you but trust in God to guide you with gen - tle
 2 What gain is there in anx - ious weep - ing, in help - less
 3 The Lord our rest - less hearts is hold - ing, in peace and
 4 Sing, pray, and keep God's ways un - swerv - ing, of - fer your

hand through all your ways, you'll find that God is there be -
 an - ger and dis - tress? If you are in your Sav - ior's
 qui - et - ness con - tent. We rest in God's good will un -
 ser - vice faith - ful - ly. Trust heav - en's word; though un - de -

side you when cross - es come, in try - ing days. Trust then in
 keep - ing, in sor - row will he love you less? For Christ who
 fold - ing, what wis - dom from on high has sent. God, who has
 serv - ing, you'll find God's prom - ise true to be. This is our

God's un - chang - ing love; build on the rock that will not move.
 took for you a cross will bring you safe through ev - 'ry loss.
 cho - sen us by grace, knows ver - y well the fears we face.
 con - fi - dence in - deed: God nev - er fails in time of need.

Text: Georg Neumark, 1621-1681; tr. composite
 Music: WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTTE, Georg Neumark
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First Reading: Isaiah 35:4-7a

A reading from Isaiah.

These verses are a word of hope to the exiles in Babylon. Isaiah 34 portrays God's vengeance on Edom, Israel's age-old enemy, which makes the path from Babylon to Zion safe for the exiles' return. The desert itself will flow with water to give drink to the returning exiles.

⁴ Say 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."

⁵ Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,
and the ears of the deaf unstopped;
⁶ then 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;
^{7a} the burning sand shall become a pool,
and the thirsty ground springs of water.

Word of God, word of life.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 146

Refrain: I will praise the LORD as long as I live. (Ps. 146:2)

¹ Hal- | lelujah!

Praise the LORD, | O my soul!

² **I will praise the LORD as long | as I live;**

I will sing praises to my God while I | have my being.

³ Put not your | trust in rulers,
in mortals in whom there | is no help.

⁴ **When they breathe their last, they re- | turn to earth,**
and in that day | their thoughts perish.

R I will praise the LORD as long as I live.

⁵ Happy are they who have the God of Jacob | for their help,
whose hope is in the | LORD their God;

⁶ **who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that | is in them;**
who keeps promis- | es forever;

⁷ who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to | those who hunger.
The LORD sets the | captive free.

⁸ **The LORD opens the eyes of the blind; the LORD lifts up those who | are bowed down;**
the LORD | loves the righteous.

R I will praise the LORD as long as I live.

⁹The LORD cares ¹ for the stranger;
the LORD sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way ¹ of the wicked.

¹⁰The LORD shall ¹ reign forever,
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. ¹ Hallelujah!

R I will praise the LORD as long as I live.

Second Reading: James 2:1-10 [11-13] 14-17

A reading from James.

Faithful Christians do not show partiality to the rich and powerful of the world, especially at the expense of the poor and weak. Likewise, faith does not pay mere lip service to God's will. Instead, a living Christian faith expresses itself in acts of compassion and mercy for those in need.

¹ My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? ² For 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, ³ and 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," ⁴ have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? ⁵ Listen, 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? ⁶ But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? ⁷ Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

⁸ You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ⁹ But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. ¹⁰ For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. [¹¹ For the one who said, "You shall not commit adultery," also said, "You shall not murder." Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. ¹² So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. ¹³ For judgment will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment.]

¹⁴ What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? ¹⁵ If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, ¹⁶ and 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? ¹⁷ So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation (ELW p. 151)

**Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life.
Alleluia.**

Gospel: Mark 7:24-37

The holy gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

In Mark's gospel, encounters with women usually signify turning points in Jesus' ministry. Here, a conversation with a Syrophenician woman marks the beginning of his mission to the Gentiles.

²⁴[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,²⁵ but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet.²⁶ Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter.²⁷ He 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."²⁸ But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs."²⁹ Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter."³⁰ So 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.³² They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him.³³ He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue.³⁴ Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened."³⁵ And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly.³⁶ Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it.³⁷ They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

**Children's Sermon (ELW p. 151) - Pastor Jeremy Ullrich
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Hymn of the Day -How Sweet the Name Of Jesus Sounds- ELW Hymn #620

How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds



1 How sweet the name of Je - sus sounds in
2 It makes the wound - ed spir - it whole and
3 Dear name! The rock on which I build, my
4 By thee my prayers ac - cep - tance gain al -



a be - liev - er's ear! It soothes our sor - rows,
calms the heart's un - rest; 'tis man - na to the
shield and hid - ing place; my nev - er - fail - ing
though with sin de - filed. The dev - il charg - es



heals our wounds, and drives a - way all fear.
hun - gry soul and to the wea - ry, rest.
trea - sury, filled with bound - less stores of grace.
me in vain, and I am owned a child.



5 O Jesus, shepherd, guardian, friend,
my prophet, priest, and king,
my Lord, my life, my way, my end,
accept the praise I bring.

6 How weak the effort of my heart,
how cold my warmest thought;
but when I see thee as thou art,
I'll praise thee as I ought.

7 Till then I would thy love proclaim
with every fleeting breath;
and may the music of thy name
refresh my soul in death!

Text: John Newton, 1725-1807, alt.
Music: ST. PETER, Alexander R. Reinagle, 1799-1877

Apostles' Creed (ELW p. 152)

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

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.*
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.**

**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.**

*Or, "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use.

Prayers of Intercession

Drawn together in the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray with confidence for the church, God's good creation, and all who are in need.

Awaken in our communities of faith a spirit of radical hospitality. Encourage our churches to celebrate and embrace people of diverse backgrounds, experiences, and abilities. Deepen our commitment to ecumenical and interreligious partnerships . Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Bring forth water to nourish plants and animals in places suffering from drought. Renew our commitments to protect rivers, lakes, and streams, and make us good stewards of water in our homes and communities. Preserve wetland habitats and the creatures that make their homes there. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Inspire leaders of cities, nations, and tribes to lead with wisdom and humility. Bring peace among peoples in conflict and strengthen global commitments to nonviolent solutions. Guide all who seek refuge from war to a safe haven. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Comfort all who live with chronic illness. Surround them in your tender embrace and sustain all who provide ongoing care and support. Bring hope and healing to people struggling with addiction and nourish the spirits of all who are in recovery. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Nurture in all people the gift of your creating Spirit. Inspire artists and musicians, woodworkers and quilters, poets and dancers. Revive those whose artistic wells have run dry and enliven all who doubt their creative talents. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We give you thanks for all who have died and now find their rest in you. May their faithful witness guide us in our daily life with you. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We entrust these and all our prayers to you, holy God, in the name of your beloved child, Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

Peace (ELW p. 152)

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Offering (ELW p. 152)

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence,
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and uphold me with your free Spirit.

Offering Prayer (ELW p. 152)

Let us pray.

Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever. Amen.

Lord's Prayer (ELW p. 154)

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

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.

Blessing (ELW p. 155)

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.

Amen.

Sending Song - Go, My Children, with My Blessing - ELW Hymn #543

Go, My Children, with My Blessing



1 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone.
2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.
3 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, clos - er to me.



Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.



In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er.
Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.
Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com - fort stilled you.



Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own."
Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure."
Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, joy - ful and free."

Text: Jaroslav J. Vajda, b. 1919, alt.
Music: AR HYD Y NOS, Welsh traditional
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Dismissal (ELW p. 155)

Go in peace. Share the good news.
Thanks be to God.

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OFFICIATING & SERVING - Sept 8

Pastor: Jeremy Ullrich **Organist:** Debra Caldwell
Lector: Debra Caldwell
Usher Captain: Michael Kurtz
Ushers: Melinda and Garrett Kurtz
Greeters: Harold & Joan Kurtz
Altar Care: Donna Campbell & Daffney Pajestka
Teller Captain: Sharon Koonsen
Teller: Retha Shepherd & Charles Gersbach

OFFICIATING & SERVING -Sept 15–Polka Worship

Pastor: Jeremy Ullrich **Organist:** Debra Caldwell
Pastor Asst. Amanda Harper
Communion Asst. Ronnie Persky & Weldon Kurtz
Lector: Garrett Kurtz
Usher Captain: Alan Shepherd
Ushers: Retha Shepherd, Rick & Pam Fleming, Lenard & Gloria Steglich
Greeters: Ted & Diane Sager
Altar Care: Debi & Courtney Janke
Teller Captain: Jill Marwitz
Teller: Dorothy Marwitz & Kristi Dague

OFFICIATING & SERVING - Sept 22

Pastor: Jeremy Ullrich **Organist:** Debra Caldwell
Lector: Carol Wilson
Usher Captain: Tim Steglich
Ushers: Justin Young, Michael, Joey & Travis Saverse
Greeters: Duane & Sharon Kurtin
Altar Care: Weldon & Cedalia Kurtz
Teller Captain: Judy Gersbach
Teller: Duane & Sharon Kurtin

OFFERING & ATTENDANCE

	<u>Worship Attendance</u>	<u>Offering</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Aug 11	51	\$2,168.00	\$96,823.56
Aug 18	53	\$3,159.00	\$99,982.56
Aug 25	52	\$2,240.00	\$102,222.56
Sept 1	42	\$2,189.00	\$104,411.56

IN OUR PRAYERS

Garland Wentreck Stanley Glaser Clark Lindemann Walt Saverse
Pansy Lange Janell Janke Risa Steglich Ruth Janke
Gayle Biels Margie Lovellette Eldon and Janie Barron Lange
James Chapman(Dorothy Marwitz's Brother-in-law) Mr. Hardy (Erin Steglich's Friend's Dad)
Victor Marek(Darrell, April Marek & family) Tammy Rodriguez (sister of Joey Saverse)
Jimmy Dubose-grandfather of Kendal & Jr Gersbach and Great-grandfather to Cayson & Barrett
Lancie Garrett (friend of LeeAnn Janke-Shirley's Daughter)

FUTURE HAPPENINGS

Monday: Monday in TRC @ 1:00 pm–Pickleball and 2PM Dominoes
Wednesday: Men's Bible Study each Wednesday in the TRC @ 7:30 am
Thursday: Piece Makers meet each Thursday in the TRC @ 1:00 pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Piecemakers Request

The Piecemakers have asked for any sewing, crocheting, knitting, and supplies for sewing quilts. This would include sewing machines, scissors, rotary cutters, fabric, thread, pins and needles or anything that pertains to quilting.

Pastoral Visits

We are encouraging those hospitalized, nursing home residents (or, their family members), and the homebound members and friends who wish to schedule an in-person pastoral visit or phone call to contact Pastor Jeremy Ullrich @ 979-421-3303 or the church office @ 254-527-3341.

NOTE: Pastor Ullrich will need to be listed as a "visitor of choice" in hospitals or nursing homes. This will need to be established by a family member.

Adult Sunday School

We will gather in the TRC at 9:15 am for coffee and fellowship. Class will begin at 9:30 am.

Articles for the Newsletter

Please submit your articles for the monthly newsletter before the 19th of the month, as they are mailed out the following week. Thank you!

Men's Bible Study

The Men's Bible Study will begin September 4 at 7:30am in the TRC.

Martha's Circle Bible Study

Martha's Circle Bible Study will be taking a break until September.

Will-O-Bell Nursing Home Worship

Thank you to everyone who has been supporting the residents of our local nursing home! Through communion and a 30-minute hymn sing-along, please show these residents they are not forgotten by joining us on the first Wednesday of each month at 2pm in Granger and on the third Thursday of each month at 10AM in Bartlett. Please come and make a resident smile.

Live Stream Learning

St. John has purchased a camcorder to help with our live stream. We are looking for tech-inclined volunteers interested in testing out different settings. We will use an apprenticeship model for training, so you will have a mentor helping as long as you wish. For more information, contact the church office (254-527-3341).

Flag Donations

3x5 U.S. Flags with grommets are appreciated for our church. In memory of loved ones, you may donate flags, or make cash donations, at the church office. For further information contact Walt Saverse @ 254-770-8381, or contact the church office @ 254-527-3341.

Sunday Worship

Starting September 1, 2024 Worship will be back in the Sanctuary @ 10:30am.

Sisters in Christ Bible Study

Sisters in Christ meet once a month on the 3rd Saturday of each month at 10 to study a biblical based study of the Bible. Anyone of any age is encouraged to come study with us. Our current book is What Happens Next by Max Lucado. We discuss chapters of the Bible relating to the “End of Days”, focusing on Revelations. Joey Saverse leads us in devotions, study and prayer. Books are easily available. We are just beginning this new study, so please come join us on a hot Saturday morning, September 21, October 19, November 16, and December 21.

Prayer Requests

When you make a prayer request for a non-member, please provide the church office with contact information so that we can send them a card. Thank you.

Dominoes

Every Monday @ 2PM in the TRC– Domino games (42 and Straight and Moon)

Anyone want to PLAY pickleball?

St. John Lutheran now has a Pickleball court available to use. The court was a vision started by Donna Dawson. Donna and Judy Gersbach joined forces, they measured and taped off the court. The net, paddles and balls were donated by Judy and Leland Gersbach. We have started a group on Monday afternoons in the TRC Gym at 1pm and enjoying it so much. Please come join us. If anyone is interested in another day or time we are open to suggestions.

Rose Garden

If you need exercise and sunshine, please come up to the rose garden and pull weeds. Volunteers of any age are welcome.

Worship Service Helpers

If you are not able to do the job you are assigned, it is your responsibility to get someone to do the job for you. Also, please let the church office know of the change if there is adequate time.

Casserole Ministry

We have casseroles available in the large freezer for distribution to our shut-ins, family members, friends, and neighbors in need of a meal. Please feel free to take them as needed to help support our community.

Lutheran World Relief Personal Care Kits

We are so thankful for the amazing and dedicated members of our congregation. Your generous donations enabled us to purchase the items needed to assemble 310 personal care kits. We can not thank you enough for assisting us in reaching this goal. Thank you for your continued support in our mission of service to others.

Worship Committee Request

We are in need to fill the vacancies on the worship duty roster. Pastor Assistant, Teller Captain, and Usher duties are needed. All volunteers are welcomed, please contact the church office or Joan Kurtz at 254-657-2432.

Picemakers–Thursday Morning Bible Study-10:30am

The Thursday morning Bible Study Group has been using The Chosen (by Dallas Jenkins) videos and study guide for season 4. The group has done the first seasons previously. (The videos can be found on YouTube or on The Chosen app.) Some interesting discussion was developed on such topics as our “ME” culture. The scriptures in the lessons depict how the Old Testament prophecies and their fulfillment in the New Testament. There was great discussion on our inheritance in Heaven. (1 Peter 1: 3-4) We meet every Thursday morning in the TRC at 10:30. If interested, come join us!

Polka Worship

Sunday September 15, 2024 @ 10:30am . Everyone is invited. Liturgy and hymns will be played by The Praha Brother polka Band. No tickets required for the worship service. Meal immediately following the worship service.

Light Reading from Gayle Biess

What kind of motor vehicles are in the Bible?

Answer: Yahweh drove Adam and Eve out of the Garden in Fury (automobile produced by Plymouth from 1955 to 1989)

Israel’s Triumph (a British automobile produced from 1921 to 1984) could be heard after the death of Goliath (2 Samuel 17:52 New Living Translation)

Acts 2:12 says Jesus’ followers “were all in one Accord.” (a car that has been continuously in production by Honda for more than 40 years.)

In Psalm 83, the Almighty clearly owns both a Pontiac and a Geo. The passage urges the Lord to “pursue your enemies with your Tempest and terrify them with your Storm. Psalm 83:15

God may favor Dodge pickup trucks since the Israelites were warned not to follow Moses up on the mountain “until the Ram’s horn sounds a long blast. Exodus 19:13

2 Corinthians 4:8 describes a group traveling in a Volkswagen Bug: “We are hard pressed on every side.”