Together in Jesus Christ we are freed by grace to live faithfully, witness boldly and serve joyfully.

Mark your congregation’s calendar today! The date for the 2019 “God’s work. Our hands.” Sunday is Sept. 8. If your congregation cannot participate on Sept. 8, please consider another time that works best.

Since 2013, thousands of ELCA congregations have participated in this dedicated day of service, gathering to serve communities in ways that share the love of God with all of God’s people. The event has quickly become an anticipated way to be “church together” and “church for the sake of the world.”

Whether your congregation prepares and delivers meals to people who are homeless, cleans parks and beaches or writes thank-you notes to emergency responders, your service activities offer an opportunity for us to explore one of our most basic convictions as Lutherans:

*All of life in Jesus Christ – every act of service, in every daily calling, in every corner of life – flows freely from a living, daring confidence in God’s grace.*

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