

OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Pastor Joe Johnson

Cindy Doeden - Church Office: 636-5701; Hours: 9am-3pm, M-F Radio Broadcast at 9:30am on KMSR 1520 AM TV Broadcast at 9:30am on HTC Channel 34

> Sunday, July 21, 2024 Ninth Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 AM



PRELUDE Organist: Karen Alfson

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN: "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound" **ELW 779**

- 1) 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.
- 2) 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!
- 3) Through many dangers, toils, and snares I have already come; 'tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
- 4) The Lord has promised good to me; his word my hope secures; he will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.
- 5) When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun, we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS L (Leader); C (Congregation)

L: In the name of the Father, and of the &Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

L: 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.

C: Amen

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

L: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

L: 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.

C: Amen

GREETING

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

C: And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE: "My Life Flows On in Endless Song"

ELW 763

1) My life flows on in endless song; above earth's lamentation, I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn that hails a new creation.

Refrain: No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging. Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?

- 2) Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear that music ringing. It finds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing? (Refrain)
- 3) What though my joys and comforts die? The Lord my Savior liveth. What though the darkness gather round? Songs in the night he giveth. (Refrain)
- 4) The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever springing! All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from singing? (Refrain)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Good and gracious God,

C: You shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Guide each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING: Philippians 4:4-9

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵ Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. ⁶ Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸ Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹ As for the things that you have learned and received and heard and noticed in me, do them, and the God of peace will be with you.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *ELW p. 151*

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

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 6:25-34

²⁵ "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? ²⁶ Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷ And which of you by worrying can add a single hour to your span of life? ²⁸ And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹ yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. ³⁰ But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? ³¹ Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?' ³² For it is the gentiles who seek all these things, and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. ³³ But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

³⁴ "So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today.

L: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE "Sitting in Traffic"

- 1) I want Jesus to walk with me; I want Jesus to walk with me; all along my pilgrim journey, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.
- 2) In my trials, Lord, walk with me; in my trials, Lord, walk with me; when my heart is almost breaking, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.
- 3) When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me; when I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me; when my head is bowed in sorrow, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

APOSTLES' CREED ELW p. 105

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 into hell.

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.

PRAYER SONG ELW 814

Take, oh, take me as I am; summon out what I shall be; set your seal upon my heart and live in me.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

L: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer. (Repeat Prayer Song)

PASSING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING / OFFERTORY: "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

THE LORD'S PRAYER ELW p. 154

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.

SENDING HYMN: "Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"

ELW 545

- 1) Lord, dismiss us with your blessing, fill our hearts with joy and peace; let us each, your love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace. Oh, refresh us; oh, refresh us, trav'ling through this wilderness.
- 2) Thanks we give and adoration for your gospel's joyful sound. May the fruits of your salvation in our hearts and lives abound. Ever faithful, ever faithful to your truth may we be found.
- 3) Savior, when your love shall call us from our struggling pilgrim way, let no fear of death appall us, glad your summons to obey. May we ever, may we ever reign with you in endless day.

BLESSING / THREE BELLS

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Helping people experience the Love of God.

POSTLUDE

O Lord, Hear Our Prayers

Praise & Thanksgiving to God for...

The people of Our Savior's.

Those celebrating birthdays today: Miles Evenson, John Juelson, Grayson Nelson,

Jena Weller

God's Healing Presence for...

Sonja Diehl Lane Neuschwander (nephew of Kari & Jeff Bjorge)

Larry (Butch) Lovas Todd Donner (Tanya Buethner's brother)
Patrick Flanagan Scott Berry (Benjamin Strand's uncle)
Sandra Mustad John (Veronika Pawlikowski's dad)

Kenna Kappes Dennis Taus (Phyllis Leraas' brother-in-law)
Becky Foss Elaina Mueller (Bonnie Mueller's granddaughter)
Peggy Gilbertson (Kathy Duyal's brother)

Peggy Gilbertson Lindsey Gilbertson (Kathy Duval's brother)
Deb Kritzberger Jane Olson (Brittany Thompson's mom)

Liz Hanson Hunter Gordon (Eunice Morlock's grandson-in-law)
Karen Paulson Asher Madsen (Vicki Madsen's great grandson)

Monica Webster Rick Krogstad (Erin Thompson's dad)
Carol Christianson Barry Sailor (Tara Fandrich's uncle)

Susie Anderson Marta Datsik (McSparron's Exchange Student-Ukraine)

Charlie Anderson Grayson Nelson (Dontray and Grace's son)
Vicki Dahlstrom Robert Thompson (Isaac, Ava, Mia's grandpa)
Kim Olson (Pastor Joe's cousin) Dennis Sollid (Anne Kittelson's dad)

Tom Wait (friend of Jon Bertsch) Grant Anderson (Erin Thompson's nephew)

Steve Rinke (Stacy Dickhoff's step-dad)

Safety for those serving in the Military... especially those serving in combat areas:

Our Sympathy to... Those in our church family who have experienced the death of a family member or friend:

GUEST MINISTER: Nadia Robb-Kern

EDUCATION PASTOR: Pastor Amanda Johnson

VISITATION MINISTER: Joy McSparron

HEAD USHERS: Glen Hultin family **LECTOR:** Rita Fandrich

ATTENDANCE: July 14, 2024 – 36

STEWARDSHIP REPORT: July 14, 2024: \$1,321.00; July to date: \$5,051.00; Income through June 30, 2024: \$196,089.76; Expenses through June 30, 2024:

\$191,832.79. Income less Expense: \$4,256.97

ANNOUNCEMENTS: (Due in the church office by 9am Thursdays)

OSLC STEEPLE TALK NEWSLETTER: News, announcements and articles for the August newsletter are due next week already! If you are not receiving the newsletter either by mail or email, and would like to, please contact the church office at 636-5701 or oslcelca@rrv.net.

MORGAN PTACEK BENEFIT is Sunday, August 25, 2024 from 8:00am-1:00pm at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church, Hillsboro. KC Pancakes and Bake Sale. Free Will Offering. Monetary donations can be made to the "Morgan Ptacek Benefit" and mailed to Goose River Bank, 515 W. Caledonia Ave, Hillsboro, ND 58045.

Morgan will be a Senior at Hillsboro H.S. She is the daughter of Eric and Grace Ptacek and sister to McKenzie, Piper, and Presley Ptacek. She developed Polycystic Kidney Disease at a young age, which has resulted in declined kidney function, requiring kidney transplantation in the very near future. If you are interested in being screened as a potential donor for Morgan, and are between the ages of 18-55, please go to mhealth.donorscreen.org to apply. The process is anonymous to the family. The institute is the University of Minnesota Fairview.

TRAILL COUNTY COMMUNITY GIVING PROJECT: BACK-TO-SCHOOL DRIVE

Monetary donations preferred -anytime. Mail donations to TCCGP, ATTN: Beth Morrow, PO Box 190, Hillsboro, ND 58045. ITEMS NEEDED: 17-20 in. Backpacks, Ticonderoga pencils, Highlighters, Fine Sharpie markers, Notebooks, Folders, Scientific Calculators, Elmers Glue, Dry Erase markers, Crayola Crayons, Fine and Regular Markers, Pens, and Rulers. Items are due by Friday, August 2nd and can be dropped off at Agassiz Valley Human Service Zone, 212 W. Caledonia Ave, Hillsboro or Mayville State CDP/Headstart, 330 3rd St NE, Mayville.

The Backpack pick-up is August 8th from 4-5:30pm at Mayville Lutheran Church, 24-3rd Ave NE, Mayville, ND.

<u>"WE ARE GOD'S MASTERPIECE"</u> is the theme for this year's OSLC Vacation Bible School. The schedule is as follows:

- *Pre-school Children (ages 3 and 4 years and going into Kindergarten)
 Tuesday, July 30 from 9-11am
 Wednesday, July 31 from 9-11am
- *School age Students (going into 1st-5th grade) Monday, July 29 from 9am-2pm Tuesday, July 30 from 9am-2pm Wednesday, July 31 from 9am-2pm

Please bring a SACK LUNCH and DRINK each day! Water bottle (put their name on it), sunscreen, hat and coat/sweatshirt if needed.

*Junior Leaders (going into 6-7th grade)

Monday, July 29 from 9am-2pm Tuesday, July 30 from 9am-2pm Wednesday, July 31 from 9am-2pm

Please bring a SACK LUNCH, DRINK and/or WATER BOTTLE each day!

WEDNESDAY, JULY 31 – there will be a free PIZZA & ICE CREAM MEAL served for all VBS participants, family & friends at 6:00pm and then a short RECITAL/PROGRAM at 6:30pm. All are Welcome!

WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Sunday, July 21

9:30am Worship Service 10:30am Coffee/Fellowship 7:00pm AA Meeting (OSLC)

Monday, July 22

Return from Youth Gathering Trip Meal Delivery Week (Sarah Workgroup) Steeple Talk news due!

Tuesday, July 23

7:00am Text Bible Study (Subway)

Wednesday, July 24

7:00am Men's Bible Study (Subway)

Thursday, July 25

10:45am Worship Service at HMC Care Center

Sunday, July 28

9:30am Worship Service 10:30am Coffee/Fellowship 7:00pm AA Meeting (OSLC)

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