## **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, August 4, 2024 Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 AM

PRELUDE Organist: Karen Alfson

#### **WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

OPENING HYMN: "Christ, Be Our Light" ELW 715

1) Longing for light, we wait in darkness. Longing for truth, we turn to you. Make us your own, your holy people, light for the world to see.

**Refrain:** Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.

- 2) Longing for peace, our world is troubled. Longing for hope, many despair. Your word alone has pow'r to save us. Make us your living voice. (Refrain)
- 3) Longing for food, many are hungry. Longing for water, many still thirst. Make us your bread, broken for others, shared until all are fed. (Refrain)
- 4) Longing for shelter, many are homeless. Longing for warmth, many are cold. Make us your building, sheltering others, walls made of living stone. (Refrain)
- 5) Many the gifts, many the people, many the hearts that yearn to belong. Let us be servants to one another, signs of your kingdom come. (Refrain)

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

L: In the name of the Father, and of the \$\partial 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:** "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

**ELW 807** 

- 1) Come, thou Fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. While the hope of endless glory fills my heart with joy and love, teach me ever to adore thee; may I still thy goodness prove.
- 2) Here I raise my Ebenezer: "Hither by thy help I've come"; and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God; he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.
- 3) Oh, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be; let that grace now like a fetter bind my wand'ring heart to thee. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love. Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Gracious God,

C: We are taught to love all your children and treat them as our neighbor. Help us to live in peace with one another. Amen.

#### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *ELW p. 151*

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

#### **GOSPEL READINGS:**

#### Matthew 5:37

<sup>37</sup>Let your word be 'Yes, Yes' or 'No, No'; anything more than this comes from the evil one.

## Matthew 18:15-20 "Reproving Another Who Sins"

<sup>15</sup> "If your brother or sister sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If you are listened to, you have regained that one. <sup>16</sup> But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. <sup>17</sup> If that person refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church, and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a gentile and a tax collector. <sup>18</sup> Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. <sup>19</sup> Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. <sup>20</sup> For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

L: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE "Fighting with My Spouse"

## HYMN OF THE DAY: "Be Thou My Vision"

**ELW 793** 

- 1) Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art: thou my best thought both by day and by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.
- 2) Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord. Thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tow'r, raise thou me heav'nward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
- 3) Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise, thou mine inheritance, now and always: thou and thou only, the first in my heart, great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.
- 4) Light of my soul, after victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

HOLY BAPTISM ELW p. 227

Baptized today is Beckett Blaine Harstad, son of Cody and Liberty Harstad.

Beckett was born on February 7, 2024 in Fargo, North Dakota.

His Godparents are Julianna and Shaun Carlson.

#### **PRESENTATION**

#### PROFESSION OF FAITH:

L: Do you believe in God the Father?

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

L: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

C: 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.

L: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C: 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.

THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT / BAPTISM

#### WELCOME:

L: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

C: 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.

PRAYER SONG ELW 752

Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place; Lord listen to your children praying, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

L: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer. (Repeat Prayer Song)

#### PASSING OF THE PEACE

**OFFERING / OFFERTORY:** "Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful"

ELW 184

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

## 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.

**HOLY COMMUNION** All are Welcome at the Lord's table. Note that all the communion wine is alcohol-free and the communion bread is gluten-free.

**DISTRIBUTION HYMN:** "Let Us Break Bread Together" ELW 471

#### **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

**SENDING HYMN:** "God Be with You Till We Meet Again"

**ELW 536** 

1) God be with you till we meet again; by good counsels guide, uphold you, with a shepherd's care enfold you; God be with you till we meet again.

**Refrain:** Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Jesus' feet; till we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet again.

- 2) God be with you till we meet again; holy wings securely hide you, daily manna still provide you; God be with you till we meet again. (Refrain)
- 3) God be with you till we meet again; when life's perils thick confound you, put unfailing arms around you; God be with you till we meet again. (Refrain)

#### **BLESSING / THREE BELLS**

## **DISMISSAL / POSTLUDE**

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Helping people experience the Love of God.

# O Lord, Hear Our Prayers

## Praise & Thanksgiving to God for...

The people of Our Savior's.

Those celebrating birthdays today: Doug Melby

## 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 Lindsey Gilbertson (Kathy Duval's brother)
Deb Kritzberger Grant Anderson (Erin Thompson's nephew)

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)

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:

**EDUCATION PASTOR:** Pastor Amanda Johnson

**VISITATION MINISTER:** Joy McSparron

**HEAD USHER:** Paulette Bowersox

**ATTENDANCE:** July 28, 2024 – 85

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT:** July 28, 2024: \$826.00; July to date: \$7,047.00; 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)

TRAILL COUNTY COMMUNITY GIVING PROJECT: BACK-TO-SCHOOL DRIVE Monetary donations preferred. Mail donations to TCCGP, ATTN: Beth Morrow, PO Box 190, Hillsboro, ND 58045.

Backpack pick-up is <u>AUGUST 8<sup>th</sup></u> from 4-5:30pm at Mayville Lutheran Church, 24-3<sup>rd</sup> Ave NE, Mayville, ND.

## FRIDAY, <u>AUGUST 9<sup>TH</sup> - FUN AT THE FARM!</u>

LIST OF ACTIVITIES: Special Giveaways, Bouncy Houses for Kids, Lumberjack Axe Throwing, Animal Showcasing, Innovative Drone Showcasing, Face Cutout Pictures, Tractor Rides & More!

#### AND THE BEST PART...

NO Admission Fees and 100% of the proceeds will be donated to Farm Rescue and local unpaid school lunch balances.

**August 9th from 5-9 PM** - Join us at Bertsch Farms (I-29, Exit 100, 2 miles E, Hillsboro) for an evening of fun, food, and unforgettable memories!

# MORGAN PTACEK BENEFIT - Sunday, <u>August 25</u>, 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 <a href="mailto:mhealth.donorscreen.org">mhealth.donorscreen.org</a> to apply. The process is anonymous to the family. The institute is the University of Minnesota Fairview.

## **UPCOMING PARENT MEETINGS:**

Wednesday, August 28

6:00 PM - Sunday school parents meet

6:30 PM - Confirmation parents & students meet

A lot of information! Please try to attend!

## **WEEKLY SCHEDULE:**

## Sunday, August 4

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

## **Tuesday, August 6**

7:00am Text Bible Study (Subway)

## Wednesday, August 7

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

## **Thursday, August 8**

10:45am Worship Service at HMC Care Center

## Sunday, August 11

9:30am Worship Service w/communion

10:30am Coffee/Fellowship

10:30am Council Meeting

7:00pm AA Meeting (OSLC)

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