



FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

Pastor Brenda Wicklund

July 3, 2022 – 4th Sunday after Pentecost

OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

“We are called by God to grow in faith together, sharing Christ’s love with each other and our community”

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Welcome to Worship this morning. We will be sharing Holy Communion. Communion will be given two ways, you can either come up front and receive from Pastor, or you can pick up the convenient cup/wafer before the service and receive at your seat.

Reminder; we are videoing “live”.



God is the source of our nourishment. Jesus’ invitation to “take and eat . . . take and drink” is a repeated one. In holy communion, in the word read and proclaimed, in the assembly of the people of God, the dominion of God has come near. Rejoice! Your name is written in heaven.

**Prelude
Welcome**

Pat Anderson

Hymn “O Beautiful for Spacious Skies”

Red Worship Book 888

- 1 O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain, for purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain: America! America! God shed his grace on thee, and crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.
- 2 O beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife, who more than self their country loved, and mercy more than life: America! America! May God thy gold refine, till all success be nobleness, and ev’ry gain divine.
- 3 O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears: America! America! God mend thine ev’ry flaw, confirm thy soul in self-control, thy liberty in law.

Confession and Forgiveness

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, whose steadfast love endures forever.

C: Amen.

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

L: Merciful God,

we confess that we have not followed your path but have chosen our own way. Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the best seats at the table. When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side. Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.

L: Hear the good news! God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy. In the name of ✠ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are free to love as God loves.

C: Amen.

Kyrie

Refrain



Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.



Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day.



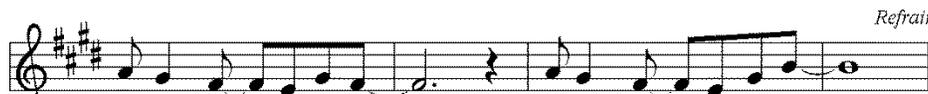
1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
 2 That we may live out your im-passioned re-sponse to the
 3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
 4 For your Spir-it to guide; that you cen-ter our lives in the



u-ni-ty of all; for
 hun-gry and the poor; that
 friends and fam-i-ly; for
 wa-ter and the word; that you



this ho-ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
 we may live out truth and jus-tice and grace,
 life and for love, for our work and our play,
 nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod-y and blood,



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

Refrain

Prayer of Day

C: O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus, you are the city that shelters us, the mother who comforts us. With your Spirit accompany us on our life's journey, that we may spread your peace in all the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Those who returned from the exile found that the hopes for the glorious restoration of Judah were not completely fulfilled. For these disappointed people, the prophet envisions salvation in the image of a nursing woman. Mother Jerusalem and a mothering God remind the community how they are sustained and supported.

First Lesson: Isaiah 66:10-14

¹⁰Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her—

¹¹that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious bosom.

¹²For thus says the LORD: I will extend prosperity to her like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm, and dandled on her knees.

¹³As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.

¹⁴You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bodies shall flourish like the grass; and it shall be known that the hand of the LORD is with his servants, and his indignation is against his enemies.

Psalm 66:1-9

L: Be joyful in God, all you lands;

C: be joyful, all the earth.

L: Sing the glory of God's name;

C: sing the glory of God's praise.

L: Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!

C: Because of your great strength your enemies cringe before you.

L: All the earth bows down before you,

C: sings to you, sings out your name."

L: Come now and see the works of God,

C: how awesome are God's deeds toward all people.

L: God turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the water on foot,

C: and there we rejoiced in God.

L: Ruling forever in might, God keeps watch over the nations;

C: let no rebels exalt themselves.

L: Bless our God, you peoples;

C: let the sound of praise be heard.

L: Our God has kept us among the living

C: and has not allowed our feet to slip.

In the close of his letter to the Galatians, Paul encourages them to live as people made right with God through faith in Jesus Christ. Here Paul offers practical advice about how believers exercise common concern for one other in "the family of faith."

Second Lesson: Galatians 6: (1-6) 7-16

[¹My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. ²Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. ³For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. ⁴All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride. ⁵For all must carry their own loads.

⁶Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher.]

⁷Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. ⁸If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. ⁹So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. ¹⁰So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

¹¹See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! ¹²It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. ¹³Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. ¹⁴May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. ¹⁵For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! ¹⁶As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke

Glory to you, O Lord (Spoken)

Red Worship Book pg. 143

Jesus commissions harvesters and laborers to go where he would go and do what he would do. Risking hardship and danger in exchange for the experience of great joy, they offer peace and healing as signs that the reign of God is near.

Gospel: Luke 10:-11, 16-20

¹After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. ²He said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. ³Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. ⁴Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road.

⁵Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace to this house!’ ⁶And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. ⁷Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. ⁸Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; ⁹cure the sick who are there, and say to them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’ ¹⁰But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, ¹¹‘Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.’”

¹⁶“Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me.”

¹⁷The seventy returned with joy, saying, “Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!” ¹⁸He said to them, “I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. ¹⁹See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. ²⁰Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

The Gospel of Our Lord

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C: Praise to you, O Christ. (spoken)

Children’s Sermon

“Throw it Out”

Pastor Brenda Wicklund

Sermon

“Returning with Joy”

Pastor Brenda Wicklund

Hymn

“This Is My Song”

Red Worship Book 887

1 This is my song, O God of all the nations, a song of peace for lands afar and mine. This is my home, the country where my heart is here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine; but other hearts in other lands are beating with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.

2 My country's skies are bluer than the ocean, and sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine. But other lands have sunlight too, and clover, and skies are ev'rywhere as blue as mine. So hear my song, O God of all the nations, a song of peace for their land and for mine.

3 This is my prayer, O God of all earth's kingdoms, your kingdom come; on earth your will be done. O God, be lifted up till all shall serve you, and hearts united learn to live as one. So hear my prayer, O God of all the nations; myself I give you; let your will be done.

Offering/Hymn

“We Are an Offering”

Red Worship Book 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

L: God of abundance: you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. **C: Amen**

Prayers of Intercession

L: United in Christ and guided by the Spirit, we pray for the church, the creation, and all in need.

A brief silence.

L: Lord of the harvest, you send your church into the world to proclaim Christ’s new creation to all. Renew the church as it carries out your mission of peace and healing. We pray for missionaries who accompany your people. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

L: Your creation abounds with flowing waters and diverse creatures. Guide the work of climate scientists as they develop and advocate ways to restore earth's natural balance. Motivate humankind to adopt lifestyles that protect and sustain the earth. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

L: You guard the nations; let no leaders exalt themselves, but lift up the most vulnerable and work for the good of all. Send your Spirit to eradicate classism and inequity, violence and war, poverty and hunger. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

L: You desire abundant life for all. As we celebrate Independence Day, instill in us gratitude, generosity, and persistence in working toward freedom for all people. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

L: Mothering God, you care for all people in need. Nourish those who are hungry. Restore employment to those who have lost work. Heal those who are sick, and comfort all who are dying or grieving. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

L: We remember the saints who proclaimed your reign on earth and now rest in you. Make us faithful in our witness to Christ's new creation. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

L: God of every time and place, in Jesus' name and filled with your Holy Spirit, we entrust these spoken prayers and those in our hearts into your holy keeping.

C: Amen.

Word of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Red Worship Book pg. 145

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.

Communion Hymn "Come, Let Us Eat"

Red Worship Book 491

1 (Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread,) come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread. (Our Lord's body let us take together,) our Lord's body let us take together.

2 (Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured,) come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured. (Jesus' blood poured let us drink together,) Jesus' blood poured let us drink together.

3 (In Jesus' presence now we meet and rest,) in Jesus' presence now we meet and rest. (In the presence of our Lord we gather,) in the presence of our Lord we gather.

4 (Rise, then, to spread abroad God's mighty word,) rise, then, to spread abroad God's mighty word. (Jesus risen will bring in the kingdom,) Jesus risen will bring in the kingdom.

Communion Hymn "God Bless Our Native Land"

Red Worship Book 891

1 God bless our native land; firm may it ever stand through storm and night. When the wild tempests rave, Ruler of wind and wave, do thou our country save by thy great might.

2 So shall our prayers arise to God above the skies, on whom we wait. Thou who art ever nigh, guarding with watchful eye, to thee aloud we cry: God save the state!

Communion Prayer

Blessing

L: The God of peace, Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always.

C: Amen.

Hymn "Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory"

Red Worship Book 890

1 Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord; he is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored; he has loosed the fateful lightning of his terrible swift sword: his truth is marching on.

Refrain: Glory, glory! Hallelujah! Glory, glory! Hallelujah! Glory, glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on.

2 He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat; he is sifting out the hearts of men before his judgment seat. Oh, be swift, my soul, to answer him; be jubilant, my feet! Our God is marching on.

Refrain

3 In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea, with a glory in his bosom that transfigures you and me. As he died to make men holy, let us live to make men free, while God is marching on. **Refrain**

Dismissal

Go in Peace. Love your neighbor.

Thanks be to God.

the worship is ended ... let the service begin...



****The Noisy offering for this month is for Foodshelf, there will be a bowl as you exit the church.****

Next Week's Readings and Psalm

First Reading

Deuteronomy 30:9-14

Psalm

Psalm 25:1-10

Second Reading

Colossians 1:1-14

Gospel

Luke 10:25-37



Prayer Concerns and Sympathy ~ Lana Jensen, Wally Guptill, Rev. Mike Pancoast, Rev. Ericka Foss, Karen Johnson (mother of Jamie and Amy Johnson), Leigha Ness, Marie Sigler (niece of Virgil and Joyce Seegebarth), Yvonne Guptill, Drew (Mindy's brother), Reverend Norm Belland, Marsha Skoog (friend of Patty Sweeny) and Alysa McFadden (daughter of Robert and Pat Anderson).

For our members in care facilities ~Dorothy Svendsen.

For Health Care Workers, Firefighters, EMT's, those who serve to protect Policemen and women and military.

For world peace. For our companion synods.

For our missionaries: Jacqueline and Patrick Bencke



We express our Christian sympathy to the family of Ruta Kalnins. May they know the consolation of your love; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord and give them peace.

If you are interested in filling out a term on the Church Council, please contact Pastor Brenda or Rick Dunkley. We have two positions that need filling. Thank You.

Community Meal will be Wednesday, July 6th,

5:00- 6:00 pm, with Worship/Healing Service at 6:30 pm

Free Community Dinner



Announcements/Calendar

Sun. 8:30 Coffee Fellowship; 9:30 am Worship/HC.

Mon. HOLIDAY THE OF JULY

Tues. 9:30 am Women's Bible Study.

Wed. 11 am Staff mtg.; 5-6 pm Community Meal; 6:30 pm Healing Worship Service.

Thurs. 8 am Men's Text Study; 6:30 Sound of Summer Concert at Westside Park-Stiel's serving food for their kids Mission Trip.

Fri. & Sat. Corn and Clover Carnival.

Sat. 8 pm AA mtg.

Sun. 8:30 am Coffee Fellowship; 9:30 am Worship/HC.



Please join us at the

First Lutheran Corn and Carnival Food stand ,
Friday, July 8th or Saturday, July 9th to help support
the youth.

Sign-up is on the table in the Narthex, this is always a great
time to rekindle old friendships, see family members, support the youth and
have something good to eat!



Out to Lunch Bunch-July 21st at Betty Reiter's home for picnic.
Sign-up on table in Narthex. Please bring dish to share.

The Parish Nurse will be doing blood pressures for anyone who
would like one. Sunday, July 17th during Coffee Fellowship



Parish Nurse Update for May: 4 Phone calls; 3 Home visits;
2 Outreach; Delivered Community Meals; Provided transportation three times.



Mission Trip Pie Social-Sunday July 17th after worship: (treats will
also be set out before worship for fellowship time if that time works better to
support the youth)

Please come in for coffee and pie social and support the youth as they get ready for their
mission trip. Everything will be free will offering and used to help cover costs of trip. Youth
going on the trip will be a part of this and send off Blessing. Thank you for supporting the
youth!



Come support the Stiel family working at the Summer Concerts to help with the expense of Griffin's Mission Trip. July 7th- the Tony and Shana Stiel family will be working the food stand for the 6:30 pm concert.



Holy Communion instruction training , is being offered at First Lutheran Church for any child that has not had their training in Holy Communion.

Age requirement is 1st grade and up. These classes are the beginning of our learning about Holy Communion and no matter the age, we grow and learn more about this every time we worship and hear the words of Institution.

We will be meeting Mon., July 18th and Tues., July 19th from 3-5 pm at church. Please let Pastor Brenda know or call the church office (320-384-6393) to sign-up.

First Communion will be on Sun., July 24th during the 9:30 am Worship Service.

I am looking forward to this special time with your child to mark this monumental day welcoming your child to the table.

Peace, *Pastor Brenda*

Please return to church office.

Name of child: _____

Parents Names:

Addresses:

Email address:

Phone numbers:

I would like my child and give him, her permission for education to Be Fed and Forgiven at the table of Holy Communion, _____

Parents signature.