



Weekly Announcements

Mt. Carmel Lutheran Church

For the Week of May 29, 2022

OUTDOOR SERVICE NEXT WEEK

Get your lawn chairs dusted off and join us for an outdoor worship service on Sunday, June 5 at 9:30 a.m. in the triangle park across from church.. There will be a light lunch served after the service. As its Pentecost Sunday, we ask that, **if possible, everyone wear something red.** In the event of inclement weather, worship will be held inside. Pass the word to others who may not see this announcement, and we hope to fill the triangle!

BETTER TOGETHER

Join us for food and fellowship! On June 26, immediately following worship, please to go Gustavus Adolphus for a joint cook out. See you there!

COFFEE SERVERS NEEDED

(Sign-up in Fellowship Hall)

Who doesn't like coffee and conversation after church on Sunday mornings? To keep this wonderful tradition going though, we need coffee servers. Making coffee is simple (tutorials available if needed) and bringing treats is optional as there will always be cookies in the freezer. However, if you want to share your special cookies or other goodies from home, that's fine too. There will be a sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall with the Sundays listed. For more information or if you'd like a coffee making tutorial, please give either Barb Hollister (612-590-6469) or Karen Moeller (612-619-3743) a call. It is strongly recommended that masks be worn when serving. Thank you in advance for your help in making this fellowship opportunity happen.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

5/29 Jill McMahan
6/1 Brian Wirth
6/4 Stephenie Labandz

ART SALE FUNDRAISER

Our art display and fundraiser sale continues through May! The hallways are filled with original artwork by our members, as well as items donated by someone with an "eye for art." All are available for sale and purchase amounts will go directly to Mt. Carmel and be part of the Foundation matching fund. Pay with cash or check written to Mt. Carmel. Look for an envelope near each display area for your donation. If no one is available to assist you, simply take the item home with you! We would love to see some gaps on the display walls!

WANTED: MT. CARMELITE CO-ED SOFTBALL PLAYERS AND FANS

Next game: Tuesday May 31 at 7 P.M. Location: Lions Park Softball Field at Long Lake Regional Park in New Brighton. We love fans!

Upcoming games:
June 7, 8 p.m. vs. Eagles
June 14, 7 p.m. vs. McDonalds

All games at Lions Park Softball Field at Long Lake Regional Park in New Brighton.

ALTAR FLOWER SIGN UP

If you would like to place flowers on the altar in honor of or in memory of a loved one there is a sign-up sheet in the narthex by the elevator. The cost of one bouquet is \$27. You may pick up the flowers following the service.



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THOSE WE ARE PRAYING FOR

- Al Erickson, recovering from surgery
- Marilyn, Janell Wampler's sister, receiving wound care and transitioning back to live in her group home
- To include your prayers on this list, contact the church office. If you would like the pastor to be aware of your prayer concerns but do not want them named publicly, please be sure to note that. Please provide an update to the office every 3 weeks if you want your request to remain on our prayers list.

HOMEBOUND AND LONG-TERM CARE

Ethel Antonson, Marlene Black, Lorraine Carlson, Annette Dahl, Marion Harris, Gerry Johnson, Carol Kwiecien, Virginia Schaal and Dorothy Warhol

PRAYER CHAIN

To lift up a prayer concern for the prayer chain, please contact Leona Olson at 612-859-7075.

FOUNDATION MATCHING GIFT

The Mt. Carmel Foundation is offering a wonderful opportunity to match our fundraising efforts up to \$25000! Please designate any amount you'd like to give to this special offering. We'll report our success to the Foundation, and they will match it!

Progress Report: As of 5/27 Mt. Carmel has received \$22,526! We can apply for our fourth \$5,000 match from the Foundation. We are thankful for each and every gift.

COVID INFORMATION

As covid cases increase in our area, masks are once again strongly encouraged in the building for worship and meetings. We continue to ask those who are sick to stay home and join us for worship online.

FELLOWSHIP MAY/JUNE

- ONLINE Good Fruits Bible Study—Tuesdays at 2:30 p.m. (Contact Leona Olson, onondave@yahoo.com)
- ONLINE Men's Bible Study—Wednesdays at 6:45 a.m. (Contact Ralph Matthes, marinosdelimpls@gmail.com)
- Racial Justice Book Study Group – Meets every other Thursday at 6:30 p.m. in Fireside Room and online. Next meeting: June 2 (contact Barb Hollister, bjhollister@comcast.net)

REMEMBERING TO GIVE

Please continue to support our congregation with your faithful financial contributions to Mt. Carmel as you are able. There are several ways to give:

- Mail your check to the church or drop off in the secure mailbox.
- Online by credit card or bank account. Visit mountcarmelimpls.org/give or scan the QR code for online giving opportunities.



Your generous support for Mt. Carmel and our ministry is truly appreciated.



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MAY 29TH, 2022 – SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Congregation parts are printed in **bold**.

- *Please make sure you have the following items on hand and ready for communion:*
- *Bread on a small plate. You may put a cloth or napkin on top if you like.*
- *Wine or grape juice (or some other beverage) and small glasses to drink from.*

PRELUDE

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism.

P: In the waters of baptism,
we have passed over from death to life with Jesus Christ,
and we are a new creation.
For this saving mystery, and for this water, let us bless God,
who was, who is, and who is to come.

C: **We thank you, God, for your river of life,
flowing freely from your throne:
through the earth, through the city,
through every living thing.**

P: You rescued Noah and his family from the flood;
You opened wide the sea for the Israelites.
Now in these waters you flood us with mercy,
and our sin is drowned forever.
You open the gate of righteousness
and we pass safely through.

C: **In Jesus Christ, you calm and trouble the waters.
You nourish us and enclose us in safety.**

**You call us forth and send us out.
In lush and barren places, you are with us.
You have become our salvation.**

**P: Now breathe upon this water
and awaken your church once more.
Claim us again as your beloved and holy people.
Quench our thirst; cleanse our hearts; wipe away every tear.**

**C: To you, our Beginning and our End,
our Shepherd and Lamb,
be honor, glory, praise, and thanksgiving,
now and forever. Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

Crown Him with Many Crowns

ELW 855 (verses 1, 3-5)

- 1 Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne;
hark, how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless king through all eternity.**
- 3 Crown him the Lord of love--behold his hands and side,
rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.
No angels in the sky can fully bear that sight,
but downward bend their burning eyes at mysteries so bright.**
- 4 Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave
and rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save.
His glories now we sing, who died and rose on high,
who died, eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.**
- 5 Crown him the Lord of years, the potentate of time,
creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me;
thy praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity.**

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

You Are Holy

ELW 525

You are holy, you are whole. You are always ever more
than we ever understand. You are always at hand.
Blessed are you coming near. Blessed are you coming here,
to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.
You are holy, you are wholeness, you are present.
Let the cosmos praise you, Lord!
Sing hosanna in the highest! Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna to our God!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray: O God, form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen**

WORD

FIRST READING

Acts 16:16-34

One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. ¹⁷While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." ¹⁸She kept

doing this for many days.

But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, “I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.” And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, “These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.” The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone’s chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, “Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.” The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas.

Then he brought them outside and said, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?” They answered, “Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.” They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia

ELW p. 205

Alleluia! Lord and Savior: open now your saving word. Let it burn like fire within us; speak until our hearts are stirred. Alleluia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

GOSPEL READING

John 17:20-26

P: The Holy Gospel according to John, the 17th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: [Jesus prayed:] "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

"Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY

We All Are One in Mission

ELW 576

- 1 We all are one in mission; we all are one in call,
our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.
A single great commission compels us from above
to plan and work together that all may know Christ's love.
- 2 We all are called for service, to witness in God's name.
Our ministries are diff'rent; our purpose is the same:
to touch the lives of others with God's surprising grace,
so ev'ry folk and nation may feel God's warm embrace.
- 3 Now let us be united, and let our song be heard.
Now let us be a vessel for God's redeeming Word.
We all are one in mission; we all are one in call,
our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

- L: Set free from captivity to sin and death, we pray to the God of resurrection for the church, people in need, and all of creation.
A brief silence.
- L: Holy God, make your people one, as you and your Son are one. Extend the gifts we have been given by your Spirit to all people, especially those experiencing division, or questioning your love. Lead us into new visions and fresh expressions of your presence. God, in your mercy,
- C: hear our prayer.**
- L: Make worthy the work of scientists who look to the stars and planets, as well as scientists who look to atoms and molecules. Bring innovation and well-being to humanity through their discoveries. God, in your mercy,
- C: hear our prayer.**
- L: Keep in our minds those who have died in war, both military and civilians. May we honor them by seeking peaceful solutions to the conflicts that arise among nations and peoples. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

L: Grant freedom to all who are overwhelmed by chronic illness, depression, or constant worry, especially..... Open them to receive health and salvation in Christ Jesus through the Spirit's gift of faith. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer. *Here other intercessions may be offered.*

L: Unite us with the saints who have died and been raised in Jesus. Help us to wait with eager longing for Christ to come again, even as we sense his presence with us now. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

L: In your mercy, O God, respond to these prayers, and renew us by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: Amen.

PEACE

OFFERTORY

Jubilate Bells "On Our Way Rejoicing/O Master Let Me Walk with Thee"

OFFERTORY PRAYER

L: Let us pray: Living God, you gather the wolf and the lamb to feed together in your peaceable reign, and you welcome us all at your table. Reach out to us through this meal, and show us your wounded and risen body, that we may be nourished and believe in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

MEAL

- *There is bread on hand on a small plate. You may put a cloth or napkin on top if you like.*
- *There is wine or grape juice ready (or some other beverage if wine or grape juice is not available).*
- *The wine can either be poured ahead of time or at the time of serving.*

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

P: In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

C: **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P: Let us pray as Jesus taught us:

C: 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.

RECEIVING THE MEAL

This is the body of Christ, broken for you.

This is the blood of Christ, shed for you.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

L: Let us pray: We give you thanks, generous God, for in this bread and cup we have tasted the new heaven and earth where hunger and thirst are no more. Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection, that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name.

C: Amen.

SENDING

FINAL BLESSING

P: God, the Author of life,
Christ, the living Cornerstone,
and the life-giving Spirit of adoption,
✠ bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN

This is My Song

ELW 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.

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Tell what God has done.

C: Thanks be to God.

Serving in Worship Today

Presiding..... Rev. Christine Wenzel
Music Director..... Ruth Bills
Altar Guild Janell Partyka
Liturgist Barbara Johnson
Lector Leona Olson
Soundboard Tech Paul Lathrop
Ushers Steve Ristuben
Mini-Bus Driver Doug Jones
Coffee Fellowship Cheryl and Rick Sundly

Crown Him with Many Crowns

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You Are Holy

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This Is My Song

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