



Weekly Announcements

Mt. Carmel Lutheran Church

For the Week of June 5, 2022

ART SALE

Proceeds from the art sale total over \$500! All donations will be matched by the Foundation. Thank you to Leona Olson for sharing beautiful artwork with us.

JUNE 16 - BIBLE AND BREWS

We're bringing back a classic! Join us on June 16th at 6:30 p.m. to discuss scripture, the Church, current events, and of course...beer! Bring your favorite libation to share with the group and any snacks you deem essential. If the weather is nice, we'll gather in the front yard of Gustavus Adolphus around the fire pit. If you have any questions, please contact Nick Tangen at nick@nicholastangen.com or Leona at onondave@yahoo.com.

JUNE 26 – COOKOUT

Save the date for a Better Together Cookout on June 26th after Worship at Audubon Park. For the last several months, Mt. Carmel and Gustavus Adolphus have been talking about the ways that we can be Better Together. Building strong relationships takes intentional time together, and we want to bring our two communities together this summer to keep building on our connection. We have reserved a room with tables chairs and refrigerators, so we can gather rain or shine. We'll provide hot dogs and all the fixings plus coffee and beverages. If you wish, bring a snack or your favorite picnic food to share. If you have questions, or would like to offer a hand, contact Nick Tangen at nick@nicholastangen.com or Leona at onondave@yahoo.com

SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Congratulations to Dylan Evans. The Mt. Carmel Foundation is pleased to award Dylan a scholarship to support his post-secondary educational endeavors.

It is not too early to consider applying for a scholarship in 2023! Look for more information this fall.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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

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.

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

Mt Carmelites vs. Adagios ended in a 10-10 tie last week. After a back-and-forth duel of hitting and pitching every inning, the Mt Carmelite left fielder Karen Matthes made a Buxton style catch sealing the tie with a last inning 3rd out for Adagios leaving them 2 on base and keeping them from a win.

Next week, June 7th, Mt Carmelites are looking for a win when they face The Eagles at 8 p.m. at Lions Park.

Save the date: June 14th, 7 p.m. - Mt Carmelites are sponsoring their Annual Fan Appreciation Night. Popcorn, cracker jacks, peanuts and beverages provided for our fans - We appreciate and love our fans! Questions - Diane Langer - 612-718-4229



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THOSE WE ARE PRAYING FOR

- The family of Carol Kwiecien, who passed away on Wednesday
- 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, Virginia Schaal and Dorothy Warhol

COFFEE SERVERS NEEDED

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. **Sign-up in Fellowship Hall!**

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.

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 mountcarmelmpls.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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Day of Pentecost

June 5, 2022 – Outdoor Worship Service

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: “I’m Gonna Sing When The Spirit Says Sing”

CONGREGATIONAL PROCESSION: “**We Are Marching in The Light Of God**”
(we are dancing)
(we are praying)
(we are singing)

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

CALL TO WORSHIP

Veni Sancte Spiritus

ELW 406

Holy Spirit, Come to Us

Refrain: Veni Sancte Spiritus (repeat)

(Choir will sing verses; Congregation sings refrain)

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.

Silence is kept for reflection.

L: God, our provider,

C: Sometimes it is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. Turn us again to you. Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

L: Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

O Day Full of Grace

ELW 627 (verses 1-2, 4)

- 1 O day full of grace that now we see appearing on earth's horizon,
bring light from our God that we may be abundant in joy this season.
God, shine for us now in this dark place; your name on our hearts emblazon.**
- 2 O day full of grace, O blessed time, our Lord on the earth arriving;
then came to the world that light sublime, great joy for us all retrieving;
for Jesus all mortals did embrace, all shame and despair removing.**
- 4 God came to us then at Pentecost, the Spirit new life revealing,
that we might no more in death be lost, its pow'r over us dispelling.
This flame will the mark of sin efface and bring to us all true healing.**

GREETING AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

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!

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

FIRST READING

Genesis 11:1-9

Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth."

The Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. And the Lord said, "Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech." So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. Therefore it was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth; and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

L: Word of God, Word of life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING

Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each.

Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' "

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Celtic Alleluia

ELW 174

C: Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL READING

John 14:8-17, 25-27

P: The Holy Gospel according to John, the 14th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Philip said to [Jesus,] “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me?”

The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

“If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

“I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.”

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Allison Gurney

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

Spirit of Gentleness

ELW 396

Refrain:

**Spirit, Spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness calling and free;
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.**

- 1 You moved on the waters, you called to the deep,
then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep;
and over the eons you called to each thing:
"Awake from your slumbers and rise on your wings." [Refrain]**

- 2** You swept through the desert, you stung with the sand,
and you goaded your people with a law and a land;
and when they were blinded with idols and lies,
then you spoke through your prophets to open their eyes. [Refrain]
- 3** You sang in a stable, you cried from a hill,
then you whispered in silence when the whole world was still;
and down in the city you called once again,
when you blew through your people on the rush of the wind. [Refrain]
- 4** You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes.
From the bondage of sorrow all the captives dream dreams;
our women see visions, our men clear their eyes.
With bold new decisions your people arise. [Refrain]

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 Living One, Holy Moving One, burst open our locked doors, and by your Spirit, drive us out into the world proclaiming your mighty deeds. Direct our words and actions, trusting the Advocate abiding in and among us. Foster our relationships with partner synods and local ministry partners, that our visions and actions are Spirit-led. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

L: Feed and care for creatures that remain hidden to us yet contribute to the vibrancy of your creation. Teach us to interact with creation from a place of wonder, awe, and reverence. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

L: Send your Spirit to places where language is a barrier to justice and mercy for those who seek it. Bless the work of translators, interpreters, and teachers. Promote understanding for the sake of those longing for true freedom and peace. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

L: Comfort all who live in constant fear and any who are suffering.....
Remind them that your healing Spirit has made them your children. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

L: Gather your people across regions, nations, and lands. Root our common life in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ, and by your Spirit bind us together with all the saints who have gone before us. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

L: We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace.

C: Amen.

PEACE

OFFERTORY

Sanctuary Choir

“Filla-Me-Up”

OFFERTORY PRAYER

L: Let us pray: 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.

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).*

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: 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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

L: 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

For those doing the consecrating at home, AT THIS TIME you can now do the distribution words:

L: This is the body of Christ, broken for you.
This is the blood of Christ, shed for you.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Let us pray: Living God, Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus.

C: **Amen.**

FINAL BLESSING

P: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, be upon you now and forever. The God of life, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading

ELW 401 (verses 1,3,5)

1 Gracious Spirit, heed our pleading, fashion us all anew.
It's your leading that we're needing, help us to follow you.

Refrain:

**Come, come, come, Holy Spirit, come.
Come, come, come, Holy Spirit, come.**

3 Guide our thinking and our speaking done in your holy name.
Motivate all in their seeking, freeing from guilt and shame. [Refrain]

5 Keep us fervent in our witness; unswayed by earth's allure.
Ever grant us zealous fitness, which you alone assure. [Refrain]

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Share the good news!

C: **Thanks be to God!**

Serving in Worship Today

Presiding..... Rev. Christine Wenzel
Music Director..... Ruth Bills
Altar Guild Janell Partyka
Liturgist Audrey Erickson
Lector Sinead Carolan
Soundboard Tech Paul Lathrop and Patrick Lathrop
Usher Rich Feist and Steve Ristuben
Mini-Bus Driver Rick Labandz
Coffee Fellowship Church Council

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We Are Marching in the Light

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