

For the Week of June 19, 2022

DONATE TO MEALS ON WHEELS

This month's Third Sunday ministry partner is Eastside Meals on Wheels. As food prices increase, the need for meal deliveries has grown. Our neighbors rely on this service to help keep them in their homes. Unfortunately, food costs and high demand for service has pushed the program to its limit. Eastside Meals on Wheels is set to run out of funds in July. Please give generously so deliveries can continue as scheduled. You can place your special offering in the pew envelope and mark the Third Sunday box. If you give online, please let the office know so we can direct your gift to the right place.

NORTHEAST PARADE

You're invited to walk or ride along with us in the NE Parade on Tuesday June 21. Meet at the church at 5:30 to ride the van to the start. You can also join us in the line-up on 27th Ave by 6:15. Contact Doug Jones with questions: 612-272-5600. We'll hand out caramel candy and pencils and postcards for the childcare. Come join the fun!

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN UPDATE

The food we packed as part of our Lenten journey has reached its destination in Haiti! Vitamins, veggies, soy and rice, packed by our hands, have reached the bellies of those in desperate need!

In addition, our offerings raised \$363.01 to help pay for the food that was packed. Thank you, Mt. Carmel family, for helping feed God's children hungry in body and spirit.

COMMUNION UPDATE

We have returned to receiving Communion at the front of the Sanctuary! Please come forward when the usher invites you. Servers will wear masks and gloves. If you're not comfortable communing this way, please stay seated and continue to use the kits available in the Narthex.

JUNE 23 – CIRCLE OF FRIENDS

The Circle of Friends is a women's friendship group open to all women of Mt. Carmel. Join us for an evening of wine, cheese, and friendship.

When: Thursday June 23, 6:30 p.m.

Where: Diane Langer's House, 2723 Ulysses St NE

Bring your own beverage and meet us in the backyard!

JUNE 26 – COOKOUT

Save the date for a Better Together Cookout on June 26 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.

THOSE WE ARE PRAYING FOR

- The family of Virginia Schaal, who passed away June 12
- The family of Carol Kwiecien, who passed away June 1
- 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, and Dorothy Warhol

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

6/22 Russ Ingebretson

6/22 Stella Sawyer

6/26 Vicki Bowers

SCAM ALERT!

Watch out for scam emails. Your pastor will not ask you for money via email. If you are unsure about a message, give us a call!

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

Mt Carmelites and their fans celebrated another win 17-7 over McDonalds on a steamy night at the ballpark. It was a hit-run-score frenzy for the Carmelites with each inning led off by a homerun and all following suit. Thank you to our fans! We will continue with our appreciation nights the rest of the season treating our fans to snacks and drinks. Come cheer on your team!

NO game June 21 Next Game June 28 7p.m. vs Swingers

Location: Lions Park Softball Field at Long Lake Regional Park in New Brighton

Questions Diane Langer 612-718-4229

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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Second Sunday after Pentecost June 19, 2022

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

Third Sunday Guest Speaker

Jessie Hausman, Executive Director, Eastside Meals on Wheels

Scouts Award Recipient

Owen Pudney, receiving his "God and Family" Religious Emblem of Faith

GATHERING

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose steadfast love endures forever.
- C: Amen.
- P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Silence is kept for reflection.
- C: 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.
- P: 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.

GATHERING HYMN

All Are Welcome

ELW 641 (verses 1-3)

1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live, a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive. Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

Refrain:

All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

- 2 Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and true, where all God's children dare to seek to dream God's reign anew. Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's grace; here as one we claim the faith of Jesus: [Refrain]
- Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine and wheat: a banquet hall on holy ground where peace and justice meet.

 Here the love of God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space; as we share in Christ the feast that frees us: [Refrain]

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

Lord I Lift Your Name on High

ELW 857

Lord I lift Your name on high Lord I love to sing Your praises I'm so glad You're in my life I'm so glad You came to save us

You came from heaven to earth to show the way
From the earth to the cross, my debt to pay
From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky
Lord I lift Your name on high

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray: O Lord God, we bring before you the cries of a sorrowing world. In your mercy set us free from the chains that bind us, and defend us from everything that is evil, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 65:1-9

I was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask, to be found by those who did not seek me. I said, "Here I am, here I am," to a nation that did not call on my name. I held out my hands all day long to a rebellious people, who walk in a way that is not good, following their own devices; a people who provoke me to my face continually, sacrificing in gardens and offering incense on bricks; who sit inside tombs, and spend the night in secret places; who eat swine's flesh, with broth of abominable things in their vessels; who say, "Keep to yourself, do not come near me, for I am too holy for you."

These are a smoke in my nostrils, a fire that burns all day long. See, it is written before me: I will not keep silent, but I will repay; I will indeed repay into their laps their iniquities and their ancestors' iniquities together, says the Lord; because they offered incense on the mountains and reviled me on the hills, I will measure into their laps full payment for their actions.

Thus says the Lord: As the wine is found in the cluster, and they say, "Do not destroy it, for there is a blessing in it," so I will do for my servants' sake, and not destroy them all. I will bring forth descendants from Jacob, and from Judah inheritors of my mountains; my chosen shall inherit it, and my servants shall settle there.

L: Word of God, Word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Celtic Alleluia ELW 174

C: Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL READING

Luke 8:26-39

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 8th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: Jesus and his disciples arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me"—for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. ³³Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

- P: The Gospel of the Lord.
- C: Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY

I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me

ELW 860

- I'm so glad Jesus lifted me.
 I'm so glad Jesus lifted me.
 I'm so glad Jesus lifted me,
 singing glory, hallelujah! Jesus lifted me.
- Satan had me bound, Jesus lifted me.
 Satan had me bound, Jesus lifted me.
 Satan had me bound, Jesus lifted me,
 singing glory, hallelujah! Jesus lifted me.
- When I was in trouble, Jesus lifted me.
 When I was in trouble, Jesus lifted me.
 When I was in trouble, Jesus lifted me,
 singing glory, hallelujah! Jesus lifted me.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

A brief silence.

- L: Holy God, you hear the cries of those who seek you. Equip your church with people who reveal the continuous call of your outstretched hands and your promises of a home in you. God of grace,
- C: hear our prayer.
- L: You hear the cries of the earth. Restore places where land, air, and waterways have been harmed. Guide us to develop and implement sources of energy and food production that do not destroy the earth. God of grace,
- C: hear our prayer.

L: You hear the cries of those who are marginalized or cast out. On this Juneteenth observance, guide us continually toward the end of oppression in all its forms, especially white supremacy. Bring true freedom and human flourishing to all your beloved children. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

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L: You hear the cries of those who celebrate and those who grieve on this Father's Day. Nurture mutual love and tender care in all relationships. Comfort those for whom this day brings sadness or longing. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

L: We give thanks for the faithful departed whose lives proclaimed all you had done. At the last, unite us with them as we make our home in you. 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.

PEACE

OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY PRAYER

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: 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. You reveal your glory as the glory of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your eternal glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:
- C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
 Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
 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.

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.

LAMB OF GOD

C: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

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

Let us pray: 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 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.

SENDING HYMN

All Are Welcome

ELW 641 (verses 4-5)

- Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they've known. Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God's face; let us bring an end to fear and danger: [Refrain]
- Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word. Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: [Refrain]

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

C: Thanks be to God.

Serving in Worship Today

Presiding	Rev. Christine Wenzel
Music Director	Ruth Bills
Altar Guild	Janell Partyka
Liturgist	Dave Olson
Lector	Cheryl Sundly
Soundboard Tech	Patrick Lathrop and Myrna Flatland
Usher	Rich Feist
Mini-Bus Driver	Dave Larson
Coffee Fellowship	Doug and Linda Jones

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All Are Welcome

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

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Lord I Lift Your Name On High

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Celtic Alleluia

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I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me

Text: African American spiritual Music: African American spiritual