



Weekly Announcements

Mt. Carmel Lutheran Church

For the Week of July 10, 2022

BISHOP VISIT JULY 17

Minneapolis Area Synod Bishop Ann Svennungsen will visit Mt. Carmel on Sunday, July 17. Our Ministry Site Profile (MSP) has been submitted to the synod. Remain in the sanctuary after worship for important updates about our interim and search for a new pastor. Copies of the MSP will be available on July 17. To receive a copy before the meeting, please contact the church office.

MEALS ON WHEELS UPDATE

Last month's Third Sunday ministry partner was Eastside Meals on Wheels. We received \$1085 in donations from generous members – wow! Thank you all for your contributions.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

The office will be closed on Fridays for the summer. The new schedule is Monday-Thursday, 10:00-2:00 p.m.

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.

FITNESS CLASS

Mt. Carmel is hosting a community fitness class on Wednesday mornings in the Narthex. Class meets at 10:00 a.m. for an hour of chair yoga with teacher Ginny Snow. Class is free and all are welcome. Contact the office if you'd like more information.

3RD SUNDAY OFFERING

The Afghan family we support through the Circle of Welcome is excitedly anticipating the birth of a new child this month. July's third Sunday offering will go to support the family directly. Please donate diapers or use the white pew envelope to designate a monetary gift to the resettlement fund. We hope to celebrate with the family and meet the new baby later in the fall.

COFFEE SERVERS STILL NEEDED!

As the Nike saying "Just Do It" goes, so goes our plea for Sunday morning coffee servers. If the reason is not knowing how to use the coffee maker, Barb Hollister or Karen Moeller will be happy to show you how to use it. Detailed instructions are also on the bulletin board in the kitchen. Cookies are always in the freezer, so you don't have to make or buy any treats. Sign up is on the wall by the serving windows and we hope to see those slots filled. Feel free to call either Barb (612-590-6469) or Karen (612-619-3743) if you have any questions. Fellowship time is important, too. Let's keep it going!

YOUNG FAMILY FELLOWSHIP EVENT

Families with kids age birth-5th grade are invited to a meal and service project on Sunday July 17, 5:00-6:45 p.m. Let the office know how many adults and children will attend!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

7/13 Max Labanz
7/14 Lory Dubbels
7/15 Jim Evans, Allison Gurney
7/16 Barb Thorson



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THOSE WE ARE PRAYING FOR

- The family of Virginia Schaal, whose funeral was July 8
- 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

MT. CARMELITES CO-ED SOFTBALL

It's time for the play-offs, so bring on the fans! We will continue with our appreciation nights the rest of the season treating our fans to snacks and drinks.

Playoff Game 1 - July 12, 8 p.m. vs Chammps

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

Questions Diane Langer 612-718-4229

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 6/26 Mt. Carmel has received \$22,991! We are nearly to our final \$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.

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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Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

July 10, 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

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

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

ELW 836

- 1 Joyful, joyful we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love!
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee,
praising thee, their sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,
drive the gloom of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day.

- 2 All thy works with joy surround thee,
earth and heav'n reflect thy rays,
stars and angels sing around thee,
center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird, and flowing fountain
call us to rejoice in thee.

- 3 Thou art giving and forgiving,
ever blessing, ever blest,
wellspring of the joy of living,
ocean-depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our brother,
all who live in love are thine;
teach us how to love each other,
lift us to the joy divine!

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, your mercy delights us, and the world longs for your loving care. Hear the cries of everyone in need, and turn our hearts to love our neighbors with the love of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 30:9-14

The Lord your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all your undertakings, in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your soil. For the Lord will again take delight in prospering you, just as he delighted in prospering your ancestors, when you obey the Lord your God by observing his commandments and decrees that are written in this book of the law, because you turn to the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. It is not in heaven, that you should say, "Who will go up to heaven for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?" Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, "Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?" No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe.

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 10: 25-37

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 10th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live." But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?"

Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.'

Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY

Let Streams of Living Justice

ELW 710

- 1 Let streams of living justice flow down upon the earth;
give freedom's light to captives, let all the poor have worth.
The hungry's hands are pleading, the workers claim their rights,
the mourners long for laughter, the blinded seek for sight.
Make liberty a beacon, strike down the iron pow'r;
abolish ancient vengeance: proclaim your people's hour.

- 2 For healing of the nations, for peace that will not end,
for love that makes us lovers, God grant us grace to mend.
Weave our varied gifts together; knit our lives as they are spun;
on your loom of time enroll us till our thread of life is run.
O great weaver of our fabric, bind church and world in one;
dye our texture with your radiance, light our colors with your sun.

- 3 Your city's built to music; we are the stones you seek;
your harmony is language; we are the words you speak.
Our faith we find in service, our hope in others' dreams,
our love in hand of neighbor; our homeland brightly gleams.
Inscribe our hearts with justice; your way—the path untried;
your truth—the heart of stranger; your life—the Crucified.

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: Good and gracious God, you have placed your word of love in the heart of your church. Fill your church with compassion, that we bear the fruit of your healing mercy to a broken world. Turn this community toward neighbors in need. God of grace,

C: **hear our prayer.**

L: You created the earth with seeds sprouting up to new life. We pray for the flourishing of fruit trees and orchards, vines and bushes. Prosper the work of those who plant, tend, harvest, and gather. God of grace,
C: hear our prayer.

L: Show us your ways and teach us your paths of justice and love. Raise up community and national leaders to challenge and dismantle societal structures that perpetuate ethnic, racial, and religious discrimination. God of grace,
C: hear our prayer.

L: Come near to all in need. Orchestrate kindness in the face of cruelty, hope where there is despair, love in the face of neglect, comfort where there is death, and healing in illness, especially God of grace,
C: hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

L: We give thanks for the saints who revealed your love and mercy in this life. Inspired by their witness, strengthen us to live in hope. 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

Sanctuary Choir "Breath on Me breath of God"

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: 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, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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. 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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Lamb of God

ELW p. 146

**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:

P: 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: 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

For the Fruit of All Creation

ELW 679

- 1 For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God.
For these gifts to ev'ry nation, thanks be to God.
For the plowing, sowing, reaping, silent growth while we are sleeping,
future needs in earth's safekeeping, thanks be to God.**

- 2 In the just reward of labor, God's will is done.
In the help we give our neighbor, God's will is done.
In our worldwide task of caring for the hungry and despairing,
in the harvests we are sharing, God's will is done.**

- 3 For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God.
For the good we all inherit, thanks be to God.
For the wonders that astound us, for the truths that still confound us,
most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.**

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 Al Erickson
Lector Jo Alice Boatright
Soundboard Tech Paul Lathrop and Patrick Lathrop
Usher..... Frank Johnson and Rick Sundly
Mini-Bus Driver Dave Larson
Coffee Fellowship..... Nancy and Jim Felicetta

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

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Lord I Lift Your Name On High

Text: Rick Founds, b. 1954

Music: Rick Founds

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