

For the Week of July 17, 2022

MEETING WITH BISHOP TODAY

Today we welcome Minneapolis Area Synod Bishop Ann Svennungsen. Our Ministry Site Profile (MSP) has been submitted to the synod. After worship, we'll gather in the Fellowship Hall to hear important updates about our interim and search for a new pastor.

3RD SUNDAY OFFERING

The Afghan family we support through the Circle of Welcome joyfully announced the arrival of their new baby last week! 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. Gifts will be collected through the end of July.

YOUNG FAMILY FELLOWSHIP TODAY

If you've signed up for the meal tonight, don't forget to bring your walking shoes! After we eat, we'll do a litter clean up between the church and Audubon Park. We'll finish with a cold treat and play at the park and pool. See you at 5 p.m.!

YARD WORK VOLUNTEERS NEEDED THIS THURDSAY 9:00-11:30 A.M.

Join us for a gardening party! We will pull weeds and spread fresh mulch to tidy up our flowerbeds. Bring gloves, a 5-gallon pail if you have one, and any preferred tools. Cold drinks provided. Questions? Contact Doug Jones: 612-272-5600

PASTOR OUT OF OFFICE

Pastor Christine is on vacation Monday – Thursday this week. Please contact Dave Olson in the event of a pastoral emergency: 651-528-7459.

JULY 21 - BIBLE AND BREWS

We missed you last month! Join us on Thursday July 21 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.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

7/17 Lori Swanson, Tim Quinlin

7/18 Darrly Henrickson

7/19 Linda Brozek

7/21 Tom Belawski

COFFEE SERVERS NEEDED!

Thank you to all who have a taken a turn (or two!) to host coffee hour. More volunteers are needed. Sign up to serve on the wall by the serving windows. Training provided! Treats are in the freezer. Feel free to call either Barb (612-590-6469) or Karen (612-619-3743) if you have any questions.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

The office will be closed most Fridays for the summer. The new schedule is Monday-Thursday, 10:00-2:00 p.m. Volunteers will staff the office July 22.

TIDINGS ARTICLES DUE

We can't wait to share all we've been up to over the summer and look ahead to the fall. Please submit your newsletter items by 10:00 p.m. on Tuesday.









THOSE WE ARE PRAYING FOR

- John Maki, Maryjo Wiggen's cousin and former member, recovering in rehab after a fall
- 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

We are in the play-offs and Game 1 was rained out. Next playoff game is July 19, 8 p.m.

We love our fans! We will continue with our appreciation nights the rest of the season treating our fans to snacks and drinks. Hope to see you there!

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.

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 \$23,991! 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.





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Sixth Sunday after Pentecost July 17, 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

Open Your Ears, O Faithful People

ELW 519

Open your ears, O faithful people, open your ears and hear God's word.
Open your hearts, O royal priesthood, God has come to you.

Refrain

God has spoken to the people, hallelujah! God has spoken words of wisdom, hallelujah! God has spoken to the people, hallelujah! God has spoken words of wisdom, hallelujah!

They who have ears to hear the message, they who have ears, now let them hear; they who would learn the way of wisdom, let them hear God's word. [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!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray: Eternal God, you draw near to us in Christ, and you make yourself our guest. Amid the cares of our lives, make us attentive to your presence, that we may treasure your word above all else, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

FIRST READING

Genesis 18:1-10a

The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near

him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said."

And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate. They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son."

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 10:38-42

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

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: Now as [Jesus and his disciples] went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen

the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

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

MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY

Day By Day ELW 790

- Day by day, your mercies, Lord, attend me, bringing comfort to my anxious soul.

 Day by day, the blessings, Lord, you send me draw me nearer to my heav'nly goal.

 Love divine, beyond all mortal measure, brings to naught the burdens of my quest; Savior, lead me to the home I treasure, where at last I'll find eternal rest.
- Day by day, I know you will provide me strength to serve and wisdom to obey; I will seek your loving will to guide me o'er the paths I struggle day by day. I will fear no evil of the morrow, I will trust in your enduring grace. Savior, help me bear life's pain and sorrow till in glory I behold your face.
- Oh, what joy to know that you are near me when my burdens grow too great to bear; oh, what joy to know that you will hear me when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer.

 Day by day, no matter what betide me, you will hold me ever in your hand.

 Savior, with your presence here to guide me, I will reach at last the promised land.

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: Ever-present God, in Christ you fill all things. As your church gathers to hear your word, share your meal, and receive your blessing, teach us to welcome strangers as we have been welcomed by you. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

L: Through Christ you created all things, visible and invisible. Teach humankind to honor and protect all creation, including living things that remain hidden from our eyes such as air, atmosphere, molecules, and microscopic creatures. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

L: Through Christ you reconcile all things. Motivate those in power to end enslavement, dehumanization, or brutality of any kind and to protect and improve the lives of Indigenous peoples. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

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Here other intercessions may be offered.

L: In Christ you brought forth the firstborn from the dead. We give thanks for the saints you have gathered at your table. Gather us with them in your eternal glory. 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

"Filla-Me-Up"

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: 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

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

Build Us Up, Lord ELW 670

Build us up, Lord, build us up; set in us a strong foundation.

Lead us to do your holy will; form and shape your new creation.

Build us up, Lord, build us up; as we guide and teach each other,
help us to share your love with the world: ev'ry sister, ev'ry brother.

Refrain

Growing in Christ, we plant seeds for the kingdom; we follow in faith what's begun!
Lord, set in our hearts the pow'r of your word to spread the news of your Son!

Build us up, Lord, build us up; let our lives reflect your glory.

Cast away all our doubts and fears; help us tell the world your story.

Build us up, Lord, build us up; help us bear good fruit for you,

Lord, give us vision and keep us sure. Grant us faith that's steadfast and true.

[Refrain]

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

C: Thanks be to God.

Serving in Worship Today

Presiding	Rev. Christine Wenzel
Music Director	
Altar Guild	Janell Partyka
Liturgist	Dave Olson
Lector	Cheryl Sundly
Soundboard Tech	Paul Lathrop and Myrna Flatland
Usher	Frank Johnson and Rick Sundly
Mini-Bus Driver	Dave Larson
Coffee Fellowship	Barb Hollister and Karen Moeller

Open Your Ears, O Faithful People

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Celtic Alleluia

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Build Us Up, Lord

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