



Weekly Announcements

Mt. Carmel Lutheran Church

For the Week of August 7, 2022

YOU'RE INVITED!

The Jubilate bell choir and Sanctuary choir want you to come and make music together. Practices begin September 7 at 6:30 and 7:30 p.m. Questions? Contact Ruth Bills: Ext. 120, ruthabills@gmail.com

MATCHING FUNDS

The sale of unused Sunday School chairs has raised \$80 to date and will be matched by the Mt. Carmel Lutheran Church Foundation. Thanks to Diane Langer for using your creativity to help us defeat our deficit.

VOLUNTEER FOR THE FUNERAL COMMITTEE

Are you looking for a volunteer opportunity where there's no rigid weekly commitment and you work with a fun group of people? Then the Mt. Carmel funeral committee is looking for you! The committee's services are available to families who have lost a loved one and request a luncheon in Fellowship Hall following the funeral/memorial service. No cooking involved! We set tables, serve a catered lunch and clean up. Have another commitment on the day we ask you to help? No problem, we'll call you the next time. If you have questions or are interested in helping, please call or text LuAnn Swanson at 651-587-1405 or call the church office, 612-781-2796, and let Nancy know.

OUTDOOR WORSHIP AT GA

Mark your calendars for a Better Together event next week on Sunday, August 14 at 9:30 a.m. We will worship outside at Gustavus Adolphus that morning.

CELEBRATING 60 YEARS!

Happy 60th wedding anniversary to Dick and Margot Jacobson. We wish you many more.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

8/7 LuAnn Swanson
8/9 Benjamin Wirth

THOSE WE ARE PRAYING FOR

- Annette Dahl, in the hospital for testing
- Ruth Emerson, receiving hospice care
- Marion Harris, recovering from a broken hip
- 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

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.



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COFFEE SERVERS NEEDED

Thank you to all who have 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 at 612-590-6469 or Karen at 612-619-3743 if you have any questions.

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.

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.

FELLOWSHIP AUGUST

- 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: August 25 (contact Barb Hollister, bjhollister@comcast.net)

FITNESS CLASS ON BREAK

The fitness class will be on break for the next two weeks. Class meets again at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday August 24. This hour of chair yoga is a great mid-week reset. Come and try it out! Class is free and all are welcome. Contact the office if you'd like more information.



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PRAYER CHAIN

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



Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

August 7, 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

Give Me Jesus

ELW 770

1 In the morning when I rise,
in the morning when I rise,
in the morning when I rise,
give me Jesus.

Refrain

**Give me Jesus, give me Jesus.
You may have all the rest, give me Jesus.**

3 Just about the break of day,
just about the break of day,
just about the break of day,
give me Jesus. [Refrain]

5 And when I want to sing,
and when I want to sing,
and when I want to sing,
give me Jesus. [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

Come, All You People

ELW 819 (verses 1, 3)

1 Come, all you people, come and praise the Most High;
come, all you people, come and praise the Most High;
come, all you people, come and praise the Most High;
come now and worship the Lord.

**3 Come, all you people, come and praise the Spirit;
come, all you people, come and praise the Spirit;
come, all you people, come and praise the Spirit;
come now and worship the Lord.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray: Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

FIRST READING

Genesis 15:1-6

After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir."

But the word of the Lord came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

L: Word of God, Word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Open Your Ears, O Christian People

ELW 519

**1 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!

GOSPEL READING

Luke 12:32-40

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 12th chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

P: [Jesus said:] “Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

“Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

“But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY

Have No Fear Little Flock

ELW 764

- 1 **Have no fear, little flock;
have no fear, little flock,
for the Father has chosen
to give you the kingdom;
have no fear, little flock!**

- 2 **Have good cheer, little flock;
have good cheer, little flock,
for the Father will keep you
in his love forever;
have good cheer, little flock!**

- 3 **Praise the Lord high above;
praise the Lord high above,
for he stoops down to heal you,
uplift and restore you;
praise the Lord high above!**

- 4 **Thankful hearts raise to God;
thankful hearts raise to God,
for he stays close beside you,
in all things works with you;
thankful hearts raise to God!**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

- L: Trusting in God's extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy One in prayer.
A brief silence.
- L: Let your lovingkindness be upon your church. Fill all who follow the gospel with your Spirit. Equip your flock to speak your word of promise and hope in the midst of fear and uncertainty. Let your lovingkindness be upon this community. Fashion our hearts to strive for the way of peace. Merciful God,
- C: **receive our prayer.**

L: Let your lovingkindness be upon your creation. Dwell among us and sustain our earthly home, especially in Kentucky and California where fire and water destroy. In places of famine, provide nourishment. In places of plenty, make us to be good stewards of your bounty. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

L: Let your lovingkindness be upon your world. Be our helper and our shield in places torn by strife and violence. Raise up courageous leaders to govern with compassion and justice. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

L: Let your lovingkindness be upon your children. Look upon all who wait for your steadfast love. Console those who grieve and embrace those who cry out to you Help us to trust your promise and not be afraid. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

L: With thanksgiving we remember all who have died in faith and now rest in you. As they placed their hope in you, so strengthen us to trust in your promise of new life. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

L: Receive the prayers of your children, merciful God, and hold us forever in your steadfast love; through Jesus Christ, our holy Wisdom.

C: Amen.

PEACE

OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY HYMN

We Are an Offering

ELW 692

**We lift our voices, we lift our hands,
we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering.
Lord use our voices, Lord use our hands,
Lord use our lives, they are yours: we are an offering.
All that we have, all that we are,
all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.
We lift our voices, we lift our hands,
we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering.
We are an offering.**

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

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

ELW 733

**1 Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not;
as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.**

Refrain

**Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided;
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!**

**2 Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. [Refrain]**

**3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! 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 Audrey Erickson
- Lector Lory Dubbels
- Soundboard Tech Paul Lathrop and Myrna Flatland
- Usher..... Rich Feist and Dan Gillett
- Mini-Bus Driver Andy Benedict
- Coffee Fellowship Myrna Flatland

Altar flowers are given by Carol Panning in memory of her husband Hillard and by Marlys Hegstrom in memory of Joyce Hegstrom on Sisters Day.

Come, All You People

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Open Your Ears, O Faithful People

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Give Me Jesus

Text: African American spiritual

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

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