



Weekly Announcements

Mt. Carmel Lutheran Church

For Week of June 11, 2023

CHANGES TO ONLINE STREAMING

As Mt. Carmel's worship tech grows and evolves, we are finding that streaming through Facebook Live has consistent issues with quality and stability. A bigger issue is Facebook's requirement to manage organizational pages with personal log ins. Beginning in July, that means each person managing Sunday morning streaming will have to log in and out of their personal Facebook accounts for each service.

In order to provide the best streaming option for our worshippers and a single log in for our tech team, we have decided to broadcast live worship only on YouTube beginning July 2. Our last Facebook Live stream will be Sunday, June 25.

What does this mean for you? In the next few weeks, visit Mt. Carmel's YouTube page and subscribe so you don't miss a service. Bookmark https://bit.ly/MtC_YouTube to make sure you're ready each week or scan this QR code. If you have a YouTube or Gmail account, you'll still be able to comment on worship but you don't have to be logged in to join us for worship online.

NE PARADE – JUNE 20

Save the date for the Celebrate Northeast Parade. Mt. Carmel will walk the route and/or ride along and wave from the mini-bus. Questions: contact Karen Moeller.

NEED A RIDE TO CHURCH?

The mini-bus is revved up and ready to take you to church! Call the church office (612-781-2796) by noon Friday to let us know you want a ride.

GRAD CELEBRATION & QUILT DEDICATION TODAY

Today we will honor two high school graduates, Leif Kutzer and Henrik Nordeen. The Mt. Carmel Quilters have created special gifts for each of them. We will also dedicate the beautiful quilt that hangs in the Narthex! Join us after the service for refreshments in Fellowship Hall.

AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX

- Children's Worship Activity Bags
- Care Notes – Provided by our Befriender Ministry. Help yourself to this information located near the elevator.
- Altar Flowers – Sign up by the elevator. Bouquets are \$27 each.

VANCO GIVING UPDATES

If you have changed your pledged amount for 2023 and use Vanco to give online, please make sure to logon to Vanco and update your account to reflect that change. If you'd like the office to make any updates for you, please fill out an authorization form. We cannot make changes to Vanco without your written consent. Thank you!

BETTER TOGETHER AT GA

Neighborhood Walks – First Thursdays and Third Sundays! You're invited to join our friends at Gustavus Adolphus for some exercise and fellowship.

- Sunday June 18, after worship. Enjoy a shorter walk from GA to the Coffee Shop NE and back.
- Thursday, July 6 (tent.), 6:00 p.m. Meet at GA for a 2-mile walk that ends at Parkway Pizza. Bring money for ice cream if you'd like.



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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

June 17 – Leona Olson

THOSE WE ARE PRAYING FOR

- Marlene Brown, improving after a stroke and hip surgery
- Duane Bills recovering from a fall
- Annette Dahl, recovering from a fall
- Steve Metzler, Janell Wampler's friend, undergoing cancer treatment for a brain tumor

To include your prayers on this list, contact the church office.

HOMEBOUND AND LONG-TERM CARE

Marlene Black, Lorraine Carlson, Annette Dahl, Gerry Johnson, and Dorothy Warhol

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.

BALLGAME LUNCHEON-POSTPONED

We've got a busy June planned! We have decided to postpone the Take Me Out to the Ballgame luncheon.

MESSAGE FROM MARLENE

A special thank you for all your prayers, well wishes, cards and concerns throughout my health issues. It's been comforting to know I'm being thought of. I'm doing well at this time and looking forward to coming back to church.

God bless, Marlene Brown

FELLOWSHIP JUNE

- Good Fruits Bible Study—Tuesdays at 2:30 p.m. at Silverwood Park and on Zoom (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. (Contact Barb Hollister, bjhollister@comcast.net)

SOFTBALL TEAM WINS AGAIN!

Mt. Carmelites celebrated their 3rd win in a row, defeating "Booze it or Lose it" 17-12!

Hope to see you next Tuesday, June 13 at 8:30 PM when Mt Carmelites take on "The Eagles".

Save the date: June 27th - Fan Appreciation Night! Games at 7 PM and 8 PM (double header). All fans treated to peanuts, popcorn, crackerjacks and beverages. We love our fans!



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LARGE PRINT EDITION



HOLY COMMUNION

Blessing of graduates; quilt dedication

June 11, 2023 + 9:30 am

Jesus heals a woman

& raises a synagogue leader's daughter

Learn, Live and Share God's Word

Christ the rain falls on the thirsty fields of our hearts

Though Jesus was a devout Jew who practiced his faith, he was criticized for eating with tax collectors and sinners—the religiously nonobservant. Jesus criticizes the self-righteous and reminds us that mercy is to be at the heart of our religious practices. God continues to be made known in those on the margins of society, like Matthew the tax collector and the hemorrhaging woman. As we gather each Lord's day we receive the healing that makes us well and sends us forth to be signs of God's mercy for the world.

We Gather to Begin the Day Anew in Baptism

GATHERING MUSIC

"Morning Has Broken"

text: Eleanor Farjeon

arr. Cat Stevens

At the sound of the bell please stand and face the worship leaders at the font.

GATHERING AROUND THE FONT

All may make the sign of the cross in remembrance of baptism as the presider begins.

P We begin the day anew in baptism
in the name of the Father, and of the + Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

GATHERING PSALM

Psalm 50:7-15

Call upon me in the day of trouble, says your God. (50:15)

Listen, my people, I will speak;
Israel, I will testify against you, for I am God, your God.

**"I do not rebuke you for your sacrifices
your offerings are always before me.**

I do not take more bullocks from your farms,
nor goats from among your herds.

**For I own all the beasts of the forest,
beasts in their thousands on my hills.**

I know all the birds on the mountains;
all that moves in the field belongs to me.

**Were I hungry, I would not tell you,
for the world and its fullness is mine.**

Do I eat the flesh of bulls, or drink the blood of goats?

**Give your praise as a sacrifice to God,
and fulfill your vows to the Most High.**

Then call on me in the day of distress.

I will deliver you and you shall honor me."

**Give praise to the Father Almighty;
to the Son, Jesus Christ, the Lord;
to the Spirit who dwells in our hearts;
both now and forever. Amen.**

P Let us pray together.

(Luther's morning prayer)

C We give thanks to you, heavenly Father,
through Jesus Christ your dear Son,
that you have protected us through the night
from all harm and danger.

We ask that you would also protect us today
from sin and all evil,
so that our life and actions may please you.

Into your hands we commend ourselves:
our bodies, our souls, and all that is ours.

Let your holy angels be with us,
so that the wicked foe may have no power over us. Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

(hymn) ELW 556

“Morning Has Broken”

- 1 Morning has broken like the first morning;
blackbird has spoken like the first bird.
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!**
- 2 Sweet the rain's new fall, sunlit from heaven,
like the first dewfall on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,
sprung in completeness where God's feet pass.**
- 3 Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning,
born of the one light Eden saw play!
Praise with elation, praise ev'ry morning,
God's recreation of the new day!**

Text: Eleanor Farjeon, 1881-1965
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GREETING

P 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.

The presider continues with words of welcome.

We Listen to God's Word

CHILDREN'S WORD

Children are invited forward; parents are welcome to come with their children.

FIRST READING

God desires steadfast love Hosea 5:15—6:6

Because God's people have trusted in military powers and not God, today's reading begins with the surprising declaration that God will withdraw from Israel and Judah. Perhaps then, the people will recognize their sin and repent. God does not desire pious prayers, but a life of committed action that results in the living out of the covenant.

I will return again to my place
until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face.
In their distress they will beg my favor:

^{6:1} Come, let us return to the LORD;
for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us;
he has struck down, and he will bind us up.

²After two days he will revive us;
on the third day he will raise us up,
that we may live before him.

³Let us know, let us press on to know the LORD;
his appearing is as sure as the dawn;
he will come to us like the showers,
like the spring rains that water the earth.”

⁴What shall I do with you, O Ephraim?
What shall I do with you, O Judah?
Your love is like a morning cloud,
like the dew that goes away early.

⁵Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets,
I have killed them by the words of my mouth,
and my judgment goes forth as the light.

⁶For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice,
the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

Holy wisdom, holy word.

C Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

The faith of Abraham

Romans 4:13–25

In his letter to the Romans, Paul develops the idea that people are made right with God through faith rather than obedience to the law. To illustrate, he uses here the example of Abraham, whose trust in God’s promise is what marks him as righteous.

Paul writes to the church at Rome:

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

¹⁶For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham

(for he is the father of all of us, ¹⁷as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”) — in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. ¹⁸Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become “the father of many nations,” according to what was said, “So numerous shall your descendants be.” ¹⁹He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah’s womb. ²⁰No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²²Therefore his faith “was reckoned to him as righteousness.” ²³Now the words, “it was reckoned to him,” were written not for his sake alone, ²⁴but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Holy wisdom, holy word.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The assembly stands and welcomes the gospel, singing *setting 3; p. 142:*

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

C Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

GOSPEL

Matthew 9:9–13, 18–26

*Jesus heals a woman and raises a synagogue leader’s daughter
Matthew’s gospel presents Jesus as a healer of the sick and sinful. Through him,
God’s mercy overcomes exclusivism, prejudice, disease, and even death.*

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him.

¹⁰And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. ¹¹When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" ¹²But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."

¹⁸While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." ¹⁹And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. ²⁰Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, ²¹for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." ²²Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. ²³When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, ²⁴he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. ²⁵But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. ²⁶And the report of this spread throughout that district.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ!

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Praise to the Lord"

(hymn) ELW 858

stanzas 1, 2 & 4

1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!

O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!

Let all who hear now to his temple draw near,

joining in glad adoration!

**2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning
and, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.
Have you not seen all that is needful has been
sent by his gracious ordaining?**

**4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore him!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the amen sound from his people again.
Gladly forever adore him!**

Text: Joachim Neander, 1650-1680; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1878, alt.

BLESSING OF GRADUATES

Leif Kutzer
Henrik Nordeen

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*Prayers are offered for the Church, the earth, the nations, and those in any need.
In our Summer services the intercessions include a prayer of confession as we
prepare to receive the Lord's Supper. Each petition concludes:*

...in your mercy.

C Hear our prayer.

Prayer of the Day *concludes these prayers.*

P O God, you are the source of life and the ground of our being.
By the power of your Spirit bring healing to this wounded
world, and raise us to the new life of your Son, Jesus Christ;
in whose name we pray.

C Amen.

We Feast Around the Table of the Lord

PEACE

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

The assembly is invited to share God's peace with one another.

OFFERING

When bread and wine are broken and shared in the Lord's Supper an offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.

Please leave your offerings in the baskets in the aisles or give online During this time, the table is set. Please stand as the offering procession reaches the chancel.

Thank you for your generosity.

"We Are An Offering"

Fine Art Quilt Dedication

Offertory Prayer

A Let us pray together.

**C God of field and forest, sea and sky,
you are the giver of all good things.
Sustain us with these gifts of your creation,
and multiply your graciousness in us,
that the world may be fed with your love,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Presentation of the Gifts

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C it is right to give our thanks and praise.

The presider continues with the Great Thanksgiving, concluding:

Lord's Prayer (1975)

**C Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory
are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread and Invitation to the Table

Communion

"Lamb of God"

setting 3; page 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.

silence for reflection concludes the communion

Prayer after Communion

A Let us pray.

Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to you,
and nourished us at your table.

Now send us forth to be your people in the world;
in Jesus' name we pray.

C Amen.

We Are Sent to Be God's Hands in the World

BLESSING

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

P May Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit bless you,
and bring forth the bountiful gifts of the Spirit in your lives.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN

(hymn) ELW 860

"I'm So Glad"

1 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.

**2 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.**

**3 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.**

Text: African American spiritual

ANNOUNCEMENTS & DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Love has found us.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

You are welcomed to be seated and enjoy the postlude if you wish.

"I'm So Glad"

arr. Aaron David Miller

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Healing Prayers

Prayer & anointing for healing are offered this morning; and on a monthly basis. You are invited to come forward following the postlude today for a prayer & blessing for healing with Pastor C.



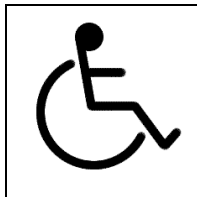
Serving Today

Pastor Foy Christopherson, *presiding*
Trina Benedict, *assisting minister*
Rich Feist, *reader*
Ruth Bills, *director of music & worship*
Paul Lathrop, Julie Larson, *technology*
Janell Partyka, *sacristan/altar guild*
Doug and Linda Jones, *ushers*
Dave Larson, *bus ministry*
Karen Moeller, *coffee host in honor of graduates*

Chancel flowers this weekend are given by Diane Langer in memory of Doug Davis and honoring Ivan Hawkins. *If you wish to donate flowers sign up in the narthex or call the church office.*

Please join us in the lower level following worship for fellowship honoring our graduates.

This service is being streamed live on the internet.



Large print bulletins, assisted listening devices, and access seating are available to aid your participation in worship. Please inquire with an usher.



Celebrating our 2023 high school graduates

Please take time to congratulate Leif and Henrik on their high school graduation. We bless and honor these young men's accomplishment and give thanks to God that they have been nurtured by this community along the way. We will continue to hold them in prayer as they move on to new adventures.

Fine Art Quilt

We give thanks for the many gifts of this congregation, today honoring the labor of those who crafted a fine art quilt for our narthex during the pandemic. More details are on the bulletin insert.

SummerFeast

Summer Sundays at Mt. Carmel
Come & See!

New Summer Worship Pattern

Our SummerFeast Holy Communion pattern begins this week. Service music is from ELW setting 3 (a familiar LBW setting). The Gathering is inspired by the daily Morning Prayer service and begins with remembrance of Baptism. Confession and the thematic prayer of the day are included the Prayers of the Church (Intercessions), and the Apostles' Creed is omitted except on festivals. Assembly responses to the readings and prayers are fresh for the season. The appointed psalm is prayed in the Gathering rather than between the readings, and concludes with a doxology and either the appropriate psalm prayer or Luther's Morning Prayer. In this non-festival time a simpler Great Thanksgiving is used. The Worship & Music team and staff hope that this variation inspires your summer worship and reflection on the Lord's Day in fresh ways.

WELCOME

Everyone is welcome. We are a faith community participating in the life of God, a life that is a gift to us and in which we are actively engaged. That gift compels us to be actively engaged in the neighborhoods of Northeast Minneapolis as well. We are a multigenerational community that proudly celebrates our history while joining together with younger generations to follow where God is leading. We build our community through faith practices like prayer, dwelling in the Word and hospitality.

Guests are welcome. We are pleased you are worshiping with us today. If you would like more information about Mt. Carmel, please contact us at 612-781-2796, or email pastor@mountcarmelmpls.org

Children are welcome at all services. Worship bulletins for children and activity bags are available outside the sanctuary.

Welcome to the Lord's Table. All who come seeking Jesus are welcome at the Lord's Table. Please follow the guidance of the ushers and instructions in the order of service. During communion, ministers will bring bread and wine to you where you are seated if you require accessibility accommodation. Please inform the ushers. Communion may be received in one kind (only bread or only wine) from any station if wheat bread or alcohol presents a health concern. White grape juice is available by request at most liturgies from most communion stations.

Welcome to the Holy Baptism. All who come seeking Jesus are welcome to receive Holy Baptism. Please visit with any worship leader, staff member, hospitality volunteer, contact the church office, or complete an information card, indicating that you wish to be baptized. Our pastor will contact you.

Friends of Mt. Carmel...Stay connected

Across the country and beyond there are many people who have a soft spot in their heart for Mt. Carmel Lutheran Church – people who feel a connection both to the history and the ongoing mission of this congregation. If you're one of them, we invite you to join a new network of Friends of Mt. Carmel. Email pastor@mountcarmelmpls.org for more information or to join.



Digital giving is available at Mt. Carmel. You can easily donate online through our website at mountcarmelmpls.org and click on **Give**. Mt. Carmel Lutheran is supported by generous people like you. Questions? Contact the church office at 612-781-2796.



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