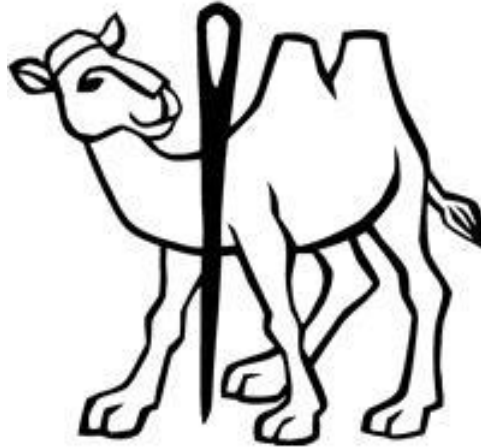


Sunday, August 26, 2018

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost



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MISSION STATEMENT

We will LIVE and SERVE through FAITH

we will ACT with LOVE and KINDNESS

we will GIVE hope and SUPPORT to all.

Hearing Assistance is available during the service.

Please notify usher if you would like assistance

Please be seated

BELL CHOIR ANTHEM: "Love Divine"

Please stand for the Gospel

GOSPEL Mark 10:17-31
Glory to you, O Lord

¹⁷As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ¹⁸Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. ¹⁹You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.'" ²⁰He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." ²¹Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." ²²When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

²³Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" ²⁴And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." ²⁶They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" ²⁷Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

²⁸Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." ²⁹Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, ³⁰who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age — houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions — and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

The Gospel of the Lord
Praise to You, O Christ

Please be seated

PSALM REFLECTION Psalm 51:10-12

¹⁰Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.

¹¹Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me.

¹²Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit.

Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: “God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending” #678 ELW

Please stand if able

APOSTLE’S CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Trusting in our loving and almighty God who abundantly provides the bread of life to all who hunger, let us pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

That God bless the church universal in every place, inspiring strength and courage to boldly proclaim the mystery of the gospel, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

That God the creator bless wild animals and family pets, prairies and kitchen gardens, beaches and sandboxes, mountains and hearths, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

That God spread the gospel throughout the nations of the world, announcing the words of eternal life to peoples in every land and country, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

That God remember the poor and the brokenhearted and rescue all those in trouble (*especially*), let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

That God protect members of this congregation along all our ways and empower us to serve Christ in sincerity and faithfulness, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

That God redeem the lives of those who have served in the faith and raise them up, according to the promises of Jesus Christ, the bread that nourishes eternal life, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

Almighty and loving God, we look to you in hope and trust, knowing that you will do far more than we can ask or imagine, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Please be seated

OFFERING

Ushers will begin passing the offering plate. Please stand as the ushers bring the offering to the altar.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Merciful God, you open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing. You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it. Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it. We pray this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Invitation to Communion

Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread. All are welcome.

(Communion by intinction - red wine; white apple juice)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Jesus Christ, host of this meal, you have given us not only this bread and cup, but your very self, that we may feast on your great love. Filled again by these signs of your grace, may we hunger for your reign of justice, may we thirst for your way of peace, for you are Lord forevermore. Amen.

BLESSING

May God, whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine, grant you the gifts of faith and hope.

Almighty God, Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: “Take My Life, That I May Be” #583 ELW

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. The Spirit sends us forth to serve.

Thanks be to God.

Visitors! It has been great having you join us for worship! Please come again.

THOSE SERVING THIS WEEK

Music: Bell Choir & Digital Hymnal Greeters: Del & Dianne Jones

Ushers: 8:30am Dennis & Audrey Bistodeau 10:00am Darrell Kelly

Hospitality Hosts: Roy & Char Berg, Steve & Melody Lackner

Thank you for your service!

Response to God's Word Last Week

Attendance: Sun, August 19th: 8:30 am 87 10:00 am 17

THIS WEEK AT Bethesda**August 27 – September 2, 2018**

Monday	8/27	1:00 pm	Pinochle
		7:00 pm	AA/Alanon
Tuesday	8/28	9:00 am	Quilters
		12 – 2 pm	Pastor's Text Study
Wednesday	8/29	9:00 am	Bible Study
		10:00 am	Stitchers
		5:30 pm	Choir Practice
		7:00 pm	Praise Team
Thursday	8/30	8:00 am	ROMEO's
		12:00 pm	Funtimers (12:00 Potluck, 12:30 cards)
		6:00 pm	Bell Choir Practice
Friday	8/31	10:00am	Bone builders
Saturday	9/1	7:30am	Veggie Stand-Last One for the Year
Sunday	9/2	8:30 am	Worship
		10:00 am	Worship

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LAWN MOWERS NEEDED: If you enjoy the outdoors, we have an opportunity for you. Please sign up to help mow the church lawn. A sign-up sheet is located in the Narthex. Training on use of mowers is available if needed. Contact Lee Forrester.

VEGGIE STAND our last veggie stand for the year will be next Saturday from 7:30-11:00am. Donations from your garden or kitchen will be welcomed. Deliver to the church by 3 pm Friday, or bring to the stand on Saturday morning. Mark items "Veggie Stand" and place on back counter under the window in the kitchen.

SAVE THE DATE: The Jamboree this year will be one performance only, Friday, September 21, 2018 at 7:00pm

JAMBOREE we are looking for Pictures from Past 25 years of the Jamboree. If you have any please email or bring the photos to the church office. They will be used for our 25th Anniversary show. All photos will be returned. Thank you!

WORSHIP & MUSIC SURVEY There are surveys (printed on yellow paper) on the tables in the Fellowship hall that we would like you to fill out. Please place the completed surveys in the basket on your way out of church. Thank you!

ANNUAL MEETING Our Annual Meeting will be held on September 23rd at 10:00am. We will only have one service that day at 9:00am. Annual Reports will be available two weeks prior to the meeting in the office.

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

COMMITTEE AND ANNUAL REPORTS All committee and event annual reports need to be in to Judie Birk by August 30th in preparation for the congregational Annual Report which will be distributed mid-September. You can email your reports to: jimjudiebirk@gmail.com

COUNCIL MEMBERS WANTED Please consider serving on your church council for the upcoming fiscal year. We will need 2 new council members beginning in October and we'd ask you to consider this opportunity. Please contact any of the current council members with questions, or to let them know of your interest to serve.

Join the Church Council; see what a difference you can make.

AITKIN AREA WOMEN'S RETREAT "Let Not Your Heart Be Troubled" will be hosted by First Lutheran Church of Aitkin. Held on Tuesday, September 4th from 9:30am-2:30pm at Camp Onomia. See the bulletin board for more information.

BETHESDA OUTREACH PROGRAM: If you know of someone who may be homebound, has medical issues or recently suffered a loss and would benefit from short or long term visits from someone on Bethesda's visitation team contact Pastor James, a parish nurse or the office.

DRIVER NEEDED Jerry Becker would appreciate rides to chemo the first week of the month. Jerry has chemo at Onamia on Sept 5, 6, 7 at 10:30. He is usually done in 35-45 minutes. He could also use driver on Monday Oct 10 when Pat hosts a bible study. Signup sheet are in the Narthex.

DONATIONS APPRECIATED If anyone would like to donate to the Daisy Beth (Bethesda) fund, there is a bucket in the Narthex to help Judy with an upcoming expensive vet bills. Thank you to all dog lovers.

PHOTOS FOR DIRECTORY If you were unable to get your picture taken from Lifetouch for the directory, contact Melody Lackner (218 232-7424 or mlackner912@gmail.com). For \$10 she will professional take your picture, give you an 8x10 color photo and submit your photo to the directory. Deadline for Melody to submit photos for the directory is September 30, 2018.

GOD'S WORK-OUR HANDS will be held on Sunday, September 9, 2018. Meet at Reddy Creek Beach for clean up at 11:00am. See Joanne Stueven if you have questions.