Sunday July 3, 2022 Fourth Sunday after Pentecost



BETHESDA LUTHERAN CHURCH OF MALMO

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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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER & CARE LIST: Judy Wuorio, Paula Spetz and the family of Jack Spetz.

SUMMER LAWN MOWING Please enjoy the outdoors and sign up to help mow the church lawn this summer. Sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

GLEN 4th OF JULY PARADE If you're participating in the Glen 4th of July Parade with Bethesda, meet at the church at 9:15am, depart parking lot at 9:30am, line up starts at 10:00am on the North Clear Lake Road. Parade starts at 10:30.

2022 SUMMER OUTDOOR GOSPEL CONCERTS

EVERY SATURDAY 7:00 P.M. Malmo Free Church, near Jct. of Hwy 18 & 47, NE. Lake Mille Lacs - 21927 322nd Ave, Isle, MN 56342. (320) 684-2201 - Indoors in AC if rain. Bring a lawn chair if you like—Free will offering taken. Full schedule posted in the Narthex. This Week: **7-9-22 Mystery Mountain Boys** They provide toe-tapping Gospel, and old time Christian music with a wide variety of instruments.

<u>BLESSING BOX:</u> The first Sunday of every month we pass the "Blessing Box". If you feel blessed, please contribute to the Blessing Box today to help others. Thank you! What a Blessing!

THIS WEEK AT Bethesda			July 4, 2022 – July 10, 2022
Monday	7/4	10:30 am	Glen Parade
		11:30 am	Cards
		7:00 pm	AA/Alanon
Tuesday	7/5	4:00 pm	Bell Practice
		5:30 pm	Choir Practice
		6:30 pm	Praise Team Practice
Wednesday	7/6	9:00 am	Women's Bible Study
Thursday	7/7	8:00 am	ROMEOS
Saturday	7/9	7:30 am	Veggie Stand
Sunday	7/10	9:00 am	Worship in person and live stream

OPENING HYMN: "Spread, Oh, Spread, Almighty Word" #663 ELW

Please rise on the last verse



- 1 Spread, oh, spread, al might y Word, spread the reign of God the Lord.
- 2 Tell of our Re deem-er's grace, who, to save our hu man race
- 3 Tell of God the Spir it giv'n now to guide us on to heav'n,
- 4 Lord of har vest, great and kind, rouse to ac tion heart and mind;



Send forth our Cre - a - tor's call, and to pay re - bel-lion's price, strong and ho - ly, just and true, let the gath-'ring na - tions all

heav-en's gifts ex - tend to all. gave him - self as sac - ri - fice. work-ing both to will and do. see your light and heed your call.

CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose steadfast love endures forever. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

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.

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.

Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus,

you are the city that shelters us, the mother who comforts us. With your Spirit accompany us on our life's journey, that we may spread your peace in all the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated

SCRIPTURE

First Reading: Isaiah 66:10-14

¹⁰Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her— ¹¹that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious bosom.

¹²For thus says the LORD: I will extend prosperity to her like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm, and dandled on her knees.

¹³As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.

¹⁴You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bodies shall flourish like the grass; and it shall be known that the hand of the LORD is with his servants, and his indignation is against his enemies.

Word of God, Word of Life. Thanks be to God

PSALM: Psalm 66:1-9 (Read Responsively)

¹Be joyful in God, all you lands; be joyful, all the earth.

²Sing the glory of God's name; sing the glory of God's praise.

³Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! Because of your great strength your enemies cringe before you.

⁴All the earth bows down before you, sings to you, sings out your name."

⁵Come now and see the works of God, how awesome are God's deeds toward all

people.

⁶God turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the water on foot, and there we rejoiced in God.

⁷Ruling forever in might, God keeps watch over the nations; let no rebels exalt themselves.

⁸Bless our God, you peoples; let the sound of praise be heard.

⁹Our God has kept us among the living and has not allowed our feet to slip.

Please stand for the gospel

Gospel: Luke 10:1-11, 16-20 Glory to you, O Lord

¹After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. ²He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. ³Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. ⁴Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. ⁵Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' ⁶And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. ⁷Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. ⁸Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; ⁹cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' ¹¹⁰But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, ¹¹¹'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.'"

¹⁶"Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me."

¹⁷The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" ¹⁸He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. ¹⁹See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. ²⁰Nevertheless,

do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON



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

United in Christ and guided by the Spirit, we pray for the church, the creation, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Lord of the harvest, you send your church into the world to proclaim Christ's new creation to all. Renew the church as it carries out your mission of peace and healing. We pray for missionaries who accompany your people. God of grace, hear our prayer.

Your creation abounds with flowing waters and diverse creatures. Guide the work of climate scientists as they develop and advocate ways to restore earth's natural balance. Motivate humankind to adopt lifestyles that protect and sustain the earth. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

You guard the nations; let no leaders exalt themselves, but lift up the most vulnerable and work for the good of all. Send your Spirit to eradicate classism and inequity, violence and war, poverty and hunger. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

You desire abundant life for all. As we celebrate Independence Day, instill in us gratitude, generosity, and persistence in working toward freedom for all people (*especially*). God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Mothering God, you care for all people in need. Nourish those who are hungry. Restore employment to those who have lost work. Heal those who are sick, and comfort all who are dying or grieving (*especially*). God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

We remember the saints who proclaimed your reign on earth and now rest in you (*especially Thomas the Apostle, whom we remember today*). Make us faithful in our witness to Christ's new creation. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

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. **Amen.**

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Please be seated for the passing of the offering plate

OFFERING - <u>Please stand</u> as the ushers bring the offering to the altar.

OFFERING PRAYER

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.

Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION to COMMUNION

In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy. Come to the banquet.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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. Amen.

SENDING OF COMMUNION

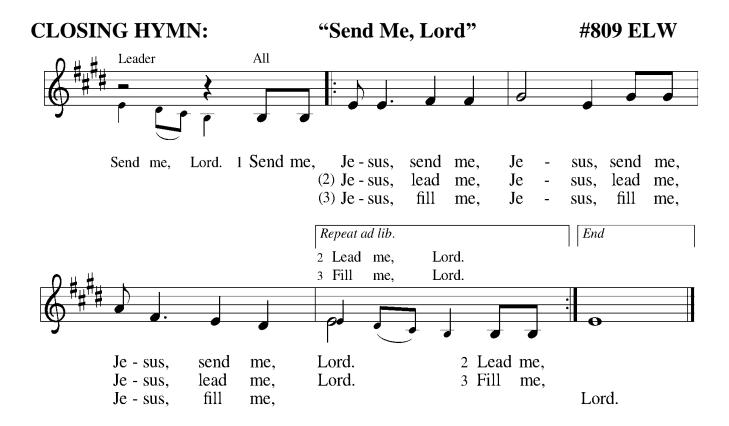
Gracious God, loving all your family with a mother's tender care: As you sent the angel to feed Elijah with heavenly bread, assist those who set forth to share your word and sacrament with those who are sick, homebound, or imprisoned. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those who will receive this sacrament, and give us all the comfort of your abiding presence through the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

BLESSING

The God of peace, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always.

Amen.



Dismissal

Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

Thanks be to God.

Visitors! It has been great having you join us for worship!

Please come again.

THOSE SERVING THIS WEEK

Ushers: Mark & Mary Vukelich

Greeters: Jenny Schuett & Patti Smith

Hospitality: Anne Hennessey & Carolyn Morris

Thank you for your service!

Response to God's Word Last Week

Attendance: Sunday, June 26, 2022: In Person: 9:00am: 59 Online: 12