Pastor Heath Queen
June 28, 2024

WELCOME + ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CONFESSION + FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. Amen. Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. Gracious God, have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen. God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

The Church of Christ, in Every Age ELW #729

PRAYER OF THE DAY | Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Grant that we may know your Son to be the true bread of heaven and share this bread with all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING | 2 Kings 4:42-44 SECOND READING | Ephesians 3:14-21

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ... Alleluia, Lord to whom p. 142

*GOSPEL LESSON John 6:1-21

Response after announcement: Glory to you, O Lord. Response at the conclusion: Praise to you, O Christ

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY | We All Are One in Mission ELW #576

*APOSTLES CREED p. 105

*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION Hear our prayer.

*PEACE

OFFERING | Will You Come and Follow Me <u>ELW #798</u>

*OFFERTORY

Create in Me a Clean Heart ELW #186

*OFFERING PRAYER | Merciful Father, We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us - ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*THE LORD'S PRAYER p. 145

HYMN | Go, My Children, with My Blessing ELW #543

DISMISSAL Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. Thanks be to God.

Assisting in Worship

Organist | Robyn Menk R

Reader | Wendy Claffey

The bulletin is sponsored today by Dale and Patty Tiede.

Adult VBS is in full swing! Mark your calendars for Adult Trivia Night on Wednesday, July 31st at 6pm, held at the Little Dandy. Everyone is welcome to join – it's not just about Bible Trivia! -Light appetizers provided, beverages on your own.

Mark your calendars for these exciting upcoming events: VBS Day Camp: To be held August 5-8, hosted by the fantastic team from Shetek Lutheran Ministries. It's a fun-filled Vacation Bible School program for about 40 wonderful kids! **Children's Book Swap** - This is a fantastic opportunity to refresh your reading collection, discover new stories, and connect with fellow book lovers in our community. To be held the week of VBS Day Camp. More details on date and time to come. Outdoor Movie Night- A cinematic extravaganza! Wednesday, August 7th at 8:30pm under the starry sky! The feature film will be 'The Secret Life of Pets'. We'll supply the popcorn and drinks - just bring your own lawn chair for a prime viewing spot. Attend the Health Care Directive Seminar on Sunday, August 25th at 2:00 pm. Please refer to the information Pastor Heath shared in the August Lamplighter. Registration is required. Outdoor Worship **Service** to be held at the Courthouse Park on Sunday, September 11th.

Kindly check the sign-up board to find out where you can contribute donations for Vacation Bible School Day Camp lunches.

We are in search of volunteers! Join us for Oktoberfest on Sunday, September 22nd. Weather permitting, we will hold an outdoor worship service with your favorite polka hymns at 10am, followed by exciting Oktoberfest activities. If you are available to assist with the day's events, please contact the church office.

Help us tackle the summer slow-down. We all know summer is a bustling time with vacations, Sunday sports events, and social gatherings like parties and barbecues. Taking a break is crucial, whether it's a relaxing "staycation" or an adventure with loved ones. It's important to unwind and have some fun for your well-being! And we hope you are having a great summer! However, even during this time, we can't pause our church's missions and ministries. We invite you to explore our 'Mobile Giving App' by scanning the QR code with your phone camera. It's a simple way to make donations at your convenience, offering options for one-time or recurring contributions that suit your preferences.

Coffee Hour: Hosted today by Wayne & Barb. All are invited to join in this time of fellowship.

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