

Praying

MINISTRY WORKERS "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." (Luke 10:2 ESV)

Our Pastoral Transition: Elders, Church Council, Call Committee, and the Olson's transition to Minnesota

PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS Pastor Dizzis Ramos' public ministry has made him a target of Cuban government officials in this atheistic Communist country. He serves his local community through construction projects for elderly people in need.

CARING FOR OUR COMMUNITY

- Our president, governor, federal and state representatives, mayor, city and county representatives
- Law Enforcement Officers and Judges
- Farmers & Ranchers

HEALING

Those involved with the Israel & Russia-Ukraine Conflict, Bryan Fevold, Jennie Stutsman (Angela's friend), Chris Schaffer (Rodney's friend), Rachel Meuchel, Cole Houska (Jesse's nephew's son), Harold Dragseth, Christy Hoffman (Lindsay's sister), David Fandrich, Joyce Hovland, Millie Yoder (Joe's mom), Debby Skoglund, Hayley Moe

HOPE AND COMFORT

The Power & Entzi families, for the passing of Juniper

FAMILY

Grace Dragseth, Kyle & Julie Dragseth, Harold & Linda Dragseth

SISTER CONGREGATIONS

Hope Lutheran Brethren Church, Pastor Jim Rademaker, Appleton, Wisconsin



Faculty & Staff Dr. Daniel Berge, Registrar; Professor of New Testament

Students Seth Vander Ley (Arianna & Lincoln), Stanley & Beulah Medikonda



Nathaniel, Carrie and their children live in the town of Boudamasa, among the Bagirmi people. They are translating stories from the Bible into the Bagirmi language. They have started an elementary school and seek other creative ways to share the gospel in their community along with their Chadian partners in ministry, Amine and Talitha.



Carl and Emily are church planting in Lincoln, ND, a community next door to Bismarck. It is one of the fastest growing communities in the state, made up largely of young families who need to hear the good news of salvation in Jesus. A successful children's ministry has been the major focus. Pray that the Lord will add dedicated members to the launch team as they prepare to begin having weekly worship services and that he will provide resources to embark on a building program.



Growing & Serving



TUESDAY, JUNE 25

1:30 PM Coffee, Conversation & Courage

SUNDAY, JUNE 30

9:30 AM Morning Prayer

10:00 AM Worship Service

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 2-6 Elevate Youth Conference



BIRTHDAYS

Jun 25	Ralph Skoglund	Jun 29	Asha Kirkland
Jun 30	Brett Wisness	Jun 30	Arianna Vander Ley
Jul 3	Ron Quale	Jul 8	Chad Ellis
Jul 8	Chelsey Ellis	Jul 10	Chance Nottestad
Jul 11	Mary Kindel	Jul 16	Susan Sampsel
Jul 17	Mike Jenks	Jul 18	Kaycee Channel
Jul 30	Alexis Marmon	Jul 30	Warren Hovland
Jul 30	Dillan Hugelen		



Welcome!

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost • June 23, 2024

We're glad you're here to worship with us. If you're visiting with us today, we hope you'll stick around for a bit after the service. We'd love to get acquainted with you. If you'd like us to contact you, please scan our QR code on the back of the bulletin, or fill out a visitor card at our Welcome Center.

BIBLE CENTERED Through God's saving Word we have been adopted into God's Family and share in the saving work of Jesus Christ.

FAMILY FOCUSED As brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ, we serve each other and worship, learn and work together.

MISSION DRIVEN We are engaged in Jesus' disciple-making mission - winning souls for Christ by the preaching of the Word and personal witnessing, and strengthening believers through Christian fellowship in the Word and Sacraments.



Order of Worship

Gathering Song *	A Mighty Fortress
Welcome	
Call to Worship	Psalm 124
Prayer	
Songs of Praise	I Stand Amazed
	Let Your Kingdom Come
Old Testament Reading	Job 38:1-11
Epistle Reading	2 Corinthians 6:1-13
Children's Message	
Tithes and Offerings	
Hymn	How Firm a Foundation
Gospel Reading	Mark 4:26-34
Sermon	<i>Small Beginnings</i>
Hymn	Come Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy
Holy Communion	
The Nicene Creed	
Prayers of the Church	
Benediction	
Doxology	

* If you are able, please stand for elements of the service noted in bold.

Sermon Notes

Next Sunday's Readings: Psalm 30, Lamentations 3:22-33, 2 Corinthians 8:1-15, Mark 4:35-41



HOME TALK

Making Disciples in the Middle of Everyday Life Mt 28:20a

Talking about The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name; Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in 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. Amen

Hallowed be your name. What does this mean? God's name is holy in itself, but we pray that it may be holy also among us.

How is this done?

It is made holy when the Word of God is taught in its truth and purity, and when we, as God's children, live holy lives in accordance with it. This grant us, dear Father in heaven! But whoever teaches and lives in a way other than what the Word of God teaches, profanes the name of God among us. From this preserve us, heavenly Father.

289 What do you pray for in the first petition?

I pray in this petition that the name of God may be considered holy and be honored by all people.

Psalm 72:19 "Blessed be his glorious name forever; may the whole earth be filled with his glory! Amen and Amen!"

290 When is the name of God hallowed or honored?

God's name is honored when the Word of God is taught truthfully and purely and when we gladly hear and obey it.

Acts 17:11 "Now these Jews were more noble than those in Thessalonica; they received the word with all eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see if these things were so."

1 Peter 4:11a "...whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God;"

James 2:22 "You see that faith was active along with his works, and faith was completed by his works;"

Scriptures are noted in the English Standard Version



The Lord's Supper

Who may participate?

This sacrament is meant for believers in Jesus Christ (1 Corinthians 11:27-29). It is the way that God unites His church, sustains the church and grows faith, hope and love as the church participates in this shared grace together. Communion is God's way of delivering assurance of the forgiveness of sins to the flock.

What is received?

Christ gives to the communicants His body and blood - in, with, and under the bread and wine. He declares the forgiveness of sin to all believers, and strengthens their faith.

I feel I'm unworthy to receive

Being unworthy of Jesus' body and blood is the primary reason to receive the forgiveness of sins promised in communion. But it is possible to receive communion with an unworthy attitude. Therefore, self-examination is called for (1 Corinthians 11:28, 31).

I do well to ask myself:

1. Do I believe Jesus' promises? "Without faith it is impossible to please God" (Hebrews 11:6).

2. Do I recognize Jesus' presence?

"Whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. Anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself" (1 Cor. 11:27, 29).

3. Am I reconciled with my fellow believers?

If we do not value reconciliation with others, we put ourselves in a place where we are distancing ourselves from God's will for us. We are living in rebellion.

4. Do I recognize my sinfulness and that it will be the death of me?

(1 John 1:5-10)

5. Is my hope in Jesus alone as the one who can give me eternal life?

We invite those who confess Jesus as their Savior from sin and death to receive the gift of forgiveness of sins offered and gifted in this sacrament.

A Note for Parents

Because communion requires time for self-examination, we do not encourage communion for children until they are old enough to be taught and old enough for self-examination. Through teaching they will appreciate its significance. Catechism Classes provide an opportunity to learn about the Lord's Supper. These classes are taught with the use of Luther's Small Catechism ... If you would like a copy of the Small Catechism for personal instruction or to instruct your children please contact the Pastor or the church office.

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