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 Gift is only 19 years old but has already endured more anguish than most people in a lifetime. The young bride from Jos, Nigeria, saw her husband shot to death by militant Fulani Muslims. The attackers then shot her in the hand. Pregnant at the time, she collapsed and was taken to a hospital, where her baby was delivered by cesarean session. After this distressing experience, caring Christians provided for her emotional and spiritual needs through six months of encouragement and biblical counseling.

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, Chris Schaffer (Rodney's friend), Rachel Meuchel, Cole Houska (Jesse's nephew's son), Harold Dragseth, Christy Hoffman (Lindsay's sister), David Fandrich, Joyce Hoyland, Debby Skoglund, Hayley Moe, Rea Lynn (Chad's cousin's daughter), Russell, Clay Ceynar, Doyle & Deb Hagen, Warren & Cheryl Smith



HOPE AND COMFORT

The Ceynar family, The Johnson & Nelson families (for the loss of Barb's mom, Maxine), The Stutsman family (for the loss of Jennie, Angela's friend), The Larry Lundeen family

Ashley Marmon, Alexis Marmon, Daniel, Sophia & Seth Marmon

SISTER CONGREGATIONS

Hillside Lutheran Brethren Church, Pastor Robert Lawson, Succasunna, New Jersey



Faculty & Staff Mrs. Patti Zwiers, Administrative Assistant to the President Students Seth Vander Ley (Arianna & Lincoln), Jordan & Gretchen Herrick



REACHING THE UNREACHED

D ave & Sonja Narvesen, with their children, live in Doh, Chad, among the Fulbe people, whom God has called them to serve. They are continuing to grow in relationship with the community and are actively seeking out opportunities to share the gospel.



PLANTING CHURCHES

Tarl and Emily are church planting LINCOLN in Lincoln, ND, a community next 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

Christ



WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

Focus: God Protects His People Supper: Nacho Bar

5:15 PM Supper & Fellowship Classes for all ages 7:15 PM Catechism Class



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

9:30 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM Worship Service



BIRTHDAYS

Sep 16	Kevin Warren	Sep 18	Holly Boltz
Sep 20	Tanya Heiser	Sep 21	Donny Walvatne
Sep 21	Noah Kindel	Sep 22	Lawrence Buzalsky
Sep 23	Shannon Warren	Sep 25	Casey Kindel
Sep 26	Timothy Downare	Sep 27	Andrew Sconce









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XI e'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 lesus' 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.





Gathering Song *

Come People Of The Risen King

Welcome

Call to Worship Psalm 116:1-9

Prayer

Songs of Praise Give Thanks

Goodness Of God

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 50:4-10
Epistle Reading Iames 3:1-12

The Apostles' Creed

Children's Message

Prayers of the Church

Tithes and Offerings

HymnGospel Reading
Mark 9:14-29

Sermon

Hymn For The Cause

Benediction

Doxology

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Next Sunday's Readings: Psalm 54, Jeremiah 11:18-20, James 3:13-4:10, Mark 9:30-37



HOME TALK

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

Give us today our daily bread. What is meant by this?

God truly does give daily bread to all, even to the wicked, without our prayer; but we pray in this petition that He would make us aware that these gifts come from him as a gift and enable us to receive these gifts with thanksgiving.

What is meant by daily bread?

By daily bread we mean everything that is required to satisfy our bodily needs, such as food and clothing, house and home, fields and flocks, money and property, pious parents

and children, trustworthy servants, godly and faithful rulers, good government, seasonable weather, peace and health, order and honor, true friends, good neighbors, and the like.

307 Must you work for your daily bread when you pray for it everyday?

Yes, God wants me to be hardworking, so that I do not take advantage of other people's generosity, but seek to earn a living through willing and honest work.

Genesis 3:19 "By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread, till you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; for you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

2 Thessalonians 3:10b "...we would give you this command: If anyone is not willing to work, let him not eat."

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 Jesus⁵ 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:

I. Do I believe Jesus' promises?
"Without faith it is impossible to please God" (Hebrews II: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" (I Cor. II-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? (I 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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^{*} If you are able, please stand for elements of the service noted in bold.