

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 A pastor in Gaza and his team are regularly providing hot meals to hundreds of people in Rafah and the middle of the Gaza Strip sheltering and trying to survive the current conflict. The pastor is grateful for support from the global body of Christ that enables his team to provide aid and hope to the suffering.

CARING FOR OUR COMMUNITY

- Our president, governor, federal and state representatives, mayor, city and county representatives
- Firefighters and Emergency Medical Responders
- 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, Debby Skoglund, Hayley Moe

HOPE AND COMFORT

The Power & Entzi families, for the passing of Juniper

FAMILY

Jesse, Anna & Leah Garcia; Lynn, Tanya, & Halie Heiser; Evan Heiser, Braden Heiser

SISTER CONGREGATIONS

Bethel Lutheran Brethren Church, Pastor Randy Mortenson, Ottawa, Illinois



Faculty & Staff Dr. Eugene Boe, Research Professor of Systematic & Historical Theology
Students Seth Vander Ley (Arianna & Lincoln), David & Kirsten Pierce



Ethan and Sandy live in Hsinchu, Taiwan and are serving the mission through multiple ministries including missiological research, teaching at a local seminary, and relationally sharing the gospel with their neighbors through daily interaction, hiking, camping, English teaching, and Bible studies.



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, JULY 9

- 1:30 PM Coffee, Conversation & Courage
- 5:00 PM Elder Meeting
- 7:30 PM Church Council Meeting

SUNDAY, JULY 14

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



BIRTHDAYS

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| 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 |

Building Project

Education & Fellowship Center

GOAL \$1,250,000

NEEDED

699,000

RAISED

551,000



Welcome!

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost • July 7, 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 *	Wonderful Merciful Savior
Welcome	
Call to Worship	Psalm 123
Prayer	
Songs of Praise	Christ Our Hope in Life and Death
	The Solid Rock
Old Testament Reading	Ezekiel 2:1-5
Epistle Reading	2 Corinthians 12:1-10
The Apostles' Creed	
Children's Message	
Prayers of the Church	
Tithes and Offerings	
Hymn	Spirit of God Descend Upon My Heart
Gospel Reading	Mark 5:21-43
Sermon	<i>Beyond Hope</i>
Hymn	Living Hope
Benediction	
Doxology	

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

Sermon Notes

Next Sunday's Readings: Psalm 85:1-13, Amos 7:7-15, Ephesians 1:3-14, Mark 6:1-13



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

Your kingdom come. What does this mean? The kingdom of God truly does come of itself, without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may also come to us.

How is this done?

The kingdom of God comes to us when our heavenly Father gives us His Holy Spirit, so that by His grace we believe His Holy Word, and live a godly life here on earth and in heaven forever.

293 What is meant in this petition by the kingdom of God?

The kingdom of God is the kingdom of grace in which God rules in the hearts and lives of believers and which one day will become the kingdom of glory in heaven where those who are saved are with Christ in perfect happiness forever.



Romans 14:17 "For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking but of righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit."

Luke 17:20b-21 "...The kingdom of God is not coming in ways that can be observed, nor will they say, 'Look, here it is!' or 'There!' for behold, the kingdom of God is in the midst of you."

Colossians 1:13-14 "He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins."

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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