Praying

MORE WORKERS Pray ... earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few ... (Luke 102 ESV)

PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS Javier and Katherine lead a church in Buenaventura, considered to be the most dangerous city in Colombia. The couple ministers by caring for the needs of the community, which has drawn negative attention from the guerrillas who control the area. Through Javier and Katherine's ministry, many have placed their faith in Christ and lives have been transformed, which has brought further opposition. Their lives have been threatened, and they have been forced to move several times, but they remain committed to sharing the hope of Christ.

CARING FOR OUR COMMUNITY

- Our president, governor, federal and state representatives. mayor, city and county representatives
- Teachers, Staff, and Students
- Farmers & Ranchers

HEALING

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



HOPE AND COMFORT

The Power & Entzi families, for the passing of Juniper

FAMILY

Aaron Yoder, Merton Anderson, Pete, Vawnita & Kyle Best, Jared & Holly Boltz

SISTER CONGREGATIONS

Blom Prairie Lutheran Church, Pastor Darren Shaw, Toronto, South Dakota



Faculty & Staff Mr. Mike Natale, Director of Student Life & Associate of Recruitment Students Seth Vander Ley (Arianna & Lincoln), Kirsten & Marcos Holzner



REACHING THE UNREACHED

N athaniel, 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.

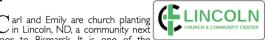




PLANTING CHURCHES



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



TUESDAY, JUNE 4

1:30 PM Coffee, Conversation & Courage 5:00 PM Elders Meeting

SUNDAY, IUNE 9

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

BIRTHDAYS

lun 5	Courtney Kindel	lun 6	Kinley Boltz
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Jun 7	Evan Heiser	Jun 8	Andrew Kindel
Jun 9	Debbie Thompson	Jun 10	Merton Anderson
Jun 12	Jocelyn Hugelen	Jun 14	Heidi Nottestad
Jun 17	Brxylee Kono	Jun 17	Ava Wisness
Jun 19	Michaela Downare	Jun 20	Shylayna Timmons
Jun 25	Ralph Skoglund	Jun 29	Asha Kirkland
Jun 30	Brett Wisness	Jun 30	Arianna Vander Ley









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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 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.

Together



Gathering Song *

O for a Thousand Tongues

Welcome

Call to Worship

Psalm 81:1-10

Prayer

Songs of Praise

Knowing You

Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners

Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 5:12-15

Epistle Reading

2 Corinthians 4:5-12

The Apostles' Creed

Children's Message

Prayers of the Church

Tithes and Offerings

Hymn

Speak O Lord

O How Good It Is

Gospel Reading Mark 3:22-35

Sermon Fundamental Family

Hymn

Benediction Doxology

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

Sermon Notes							

Next Sunday's Readings: Psalm 130, Genesis 3:8-15, 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1, Mark 4:1-20



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

282 Is God's answer sometimes "no" [in answer to you prayers]?

Yes. God sometimes withholds what I ask for because I may ask with wrong motives and because He knows what is best for me. James 4:3 "You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions."

2 Corinthians 12:8-9 "Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me. But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me."

283 Are all your prayers answered right away?

No, some prayers are answered right away, but at other times God, in His wisdom, delays the answer.

Psalm 40:1 "I waited patiently for the Lord; he inclined to me and heard my cry."

Jeremiah 33:3 "Call to me and I will answer you, and will tell you great and hidden things that you have not known."

James 5:16b "The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working."

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 I 1:6).

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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