

Helmar Lutheran Church
Newark, IL
Sunday, July 19th, 2026
Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Prelude

Welcome

Hymn: “Lead On, O King Eternal”

Scripture reading: James 4:7-10

Hebrews 4:14-16

Confession of Faith: Acts 17:24-28

Pastoral Prayer

Praise Team: “Blessed Be Your Name”

“The Lion and the Lamb”

“Firm Foundation”

Sermon Series: “Spiritual Warfare—It’s Real!”

Part Two: “The Enemy”

I Peter 5:8,9

Benediction

Hymn: “Faith is the Victory”

Postlude

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Upcoming Events:

Today: Family and Youth Bible Camp in Cedar Lake, IN

Wed: 6:30am Men’s Bible Study @ Southern Belle’s ?  
6:30pm Youth BYBS at Dave & Shira’s

Fri: 9am Ladies Prayer Group

Sun: 8:30am Breakfast in the FLC  
9am Phil Kittleson sharing about their work in Bolivia  
10am Worship service

The church Wi-Fi password is Helmar21

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We are beginning to collect items for our **Operation Christmas Child** shoeboxes. Please check the bulletin board for a list of items needed. Or check with Stacy if you prefer an option that doesn’t involve QR codes.

Life Groups will resume the week of September 13th. The series will be “Ecclesiastes—Life is Worth Living”. Sign-up sheets are available at the Welcome Center.

The **Newark and Yorkville Area Life Groups** still need a host. Day and time are determined by the group. Please see David Christian if you would like to host.

Mary Greven’s new address is on the bulletin board.

Praise the Lord for his provision! The Helmarpalooza is fully funded!



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**“The Enemy”
I Peter 5:8,9**

I. The Enemy _____ v. 8b

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II. The Christian _____ v. 8a, 9

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The Super Power of Kindness

When you were a child, did you dream of being a superhero? Using hidden super powers to right wrongs? Little did you know, God gave you a super power, and as you use it, you really can change lives! Leaping tall buildings or catching people with your lasso of truth? NO! Something bigger and deeper. God has given you the super power of KINDNESS.

A super power? Most people think kindness is “nice”—nothing life-changing, but they are wrong. Acts of simple kindness demonstrate God’s character, and at the right moment they can bring hope and strength to the overwhelmed.

There is power in Kind Eyes that see the need in others! “Whoever has a bountiful eye will be blessed, for he shares his bread with the poor” (Proverbs 22:9).

There is power in Kind Words that edify and strengthen! Isaiah knew this power and where it came from! “The Lord God has given me the tongue of those who are taught, that I may know how to sustain with a word him who is weary. Morning by morning He awakens; He awakens my ear to hear as those who are taught” (Isaiah 50:4).

There is power in Kind Hands that lifts others up! “Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me” (Matthew 25:34-36).

When Paul Brand was a young missionary in India, working with lepers, he had a friend who lived apart. He had lived with leprosy for years, and though he was now healed he was also horribly marked, physically and emotionally. One day he asked Paul to take him to church. Both men were anxious as they entered the service, already in progress. A man turned to look at them, and Paul was afraid the man would flinch or look startled. Instead, he looked Paul’s friend in the eye and patted the seat next to him. The gentle smile and gesture of welcome opened a wounded heart to healing. God can use our kind eyes, words, and hands to show the love and power of God in a hurting world!

Miss Jonni Sliver
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AFLC Promotion for July is World Missions

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Burden-Bearing Church***

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Spiritual Disciplines Sheet

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Hide God’s Word in your Heart

**“The steadfast of mind You will keep in perfect
peace, Because he trusts in You.”**

Isaiah 26:3