St. John Lutheran Church of Prairie Hill June 20, 2021 Fourth Sunday after Pentecost Please tune to 87.9 FM



*GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **Amen.**

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our provider, help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **Amen.**

*GATHERING HYMN

Gather Us In

#532

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God of creation, eternal majesty, you preside over land and sea, sunshine and storm. By your strength pilot us, by your power preserve us, by your wisdom instruct us, and by your hand protect us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING JOB 38:1-11

¹The LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind: ²"Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? ³Gird up your loins like a man, I will question you, and you shall declare

to me. ⁴"Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. ⁵Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? ⁶On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone ⁷when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy? ⁸"Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb?— ⁹when I made the clouds its garment, and thick darkness its swaddling band, ¹⁰and prescribed bounds for it, and set bars and doors, ¹¹and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stopped'?" The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSIVE READING

PSALM 107:1-3, 23-32

¹Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good, for God's mercy endures forever.

²Let the redeemed of the LORD proclaim

that God redeemed them from the hand of the foe,

³gathering them in from the lands;

from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

²³Some went down to the sea in ships, plying their trade in deep waters.

²⁴They beheld the works of the LORD, God's wonderful works in the deep.

²⁵Then God spoke, and a stormy wind arose, which tossed high the waves of the sea.

- ²⁶They mounted up to the heavens and descended to the depths; their souls melted away in their peril.
- ²⁷They staggered and reeled like drunkards, and all their skill was of no avail.
- ²⁸Then in their trouble they cried to the LORD, and you delivered them from their distress.
- ²⁹You stilled the storm to a whisper and silenced the waves of the sea.
- ³⁰Then were they glad when it grew calm, when you guided them to the harbor they desired.
- ³¹Let them give thanks to you, LORD, for your steadfast love and your wonderful works for all people.
- ³²Let them exalt you in the assembly of the people; in the council of the elders, let them sing hallelujah!

SECOND READING

2 CORINTHIANS 6:1-13

¹As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. ²For he says, "At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you." See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! ³We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, ⁴but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in

afflictions, hardships, calamities, ⁵beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; ⁶by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, ⁷truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; ⁸in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; ⁹as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; ¹⁰as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything. ¹¹We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. ¹²There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. ¹³In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Lord to Whom Shall We Go

*GOSPEL MARK 4:35-41

³⁵When evening had come, [Jesus said to the disciples,] "Let us go across to the other side." ³⁶And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. ³⁷A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. ³⁸But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" ³⁹He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. ⁴⁰He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" ⁴¹And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?" The Word of our Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

Pastor Moore & Pastor Brower

HYMN OF THE DAY

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

#773

*THE APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.*

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each petition of the prayers ends with the following response Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

*PEACE

*OFFERING PRAYER

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. **Amen.**

*DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places

give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,

through our Savior Jesus Christ;

who on this day overcame death and the grave,

and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels,

with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*SANCTUS p 153

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on 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 and ever. Amen.

*POST COMMUNION BLESSING

Now may these precious gifts of Christ's body and blood strengthen you and keep you in God's grace this day. **Amen**

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. **Amen.**

*BLESSING

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,

→ be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

*SENDING HYMN

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

#884

*DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Hello Eueryone! We are back! The basket for our brave Military is back with some cards ready for y'all to write your messages.



Grammy's Cookie Convoy is back up and running as well. With the coming month being a time for showing our heroic troops our appreciation, please fill that basket quickly. If you have extra cards, bring them so others can share. Also, if you can donate a few dollars for postage they would really appreciate that. That was one of the problems during the pandemic---getting anything overseas. Phyllis Bickham



Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by Jana Lefebvre in honor of Father's Day!



Our Church Family:

Sydney Wagner **Mavis Smith** Janice Cordova Florence Bentke Ella Ruemke Clarence Witt Gilbert Spinn Helen Gaskamp **Emery Schulze** Cynthia Wilson Verna Mae Sefcik Linda King Tom Bentke Jerry Randermann Mary Ann Luce Connie Seward

Justin Reuter Dorothy Wiesepape Charles "Dutch" Schulze

Marvin Haevischer Marjorie Hohlt Lea Alcala Mary Longhofer Clarence Moehlmann A.G. "Doc" & Allene Holtkamp Peggy & Milton Bosse

John & Carol Haarmeyer

Those celebrating baptismal anniversaries: Clay Bednar, Addison Westerfeld, Adilynn Lange, Trenton Meyer, Tyler Campbell

Those celebrating wedding anniversaries: Steve & Donna Skrla, Charles & Deanna Giese

Friends & Family:

Blake Bates Carol Lieber Christy Dallmeyer John Tuefel Kathy Schrader Shannon Wellmann

Please notify the church office of any prayer request by simply writing a note on the back of your attendance card. Thank you!

Names that have been on our friends and family prayer list for longer than 60 days have been removed.

Monday, June 21st NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Tuesday, June 22nd
6:30-8AM Food Pantry
9AM-Noon Quilting



Next Sunday, June 27th

ELCA Pastor Chris Markert

8:00AM Indoor Worship Service

9:00AM Adult Bible Study

10:05AM Indoor Worship Service & Baptism

Monday, June 28th - Tuesday, June 29th

Office Closed

The church office will be closed because our secretary will be out of town on vacation. The office will reopen on Wednesday, June 30th at 8:00AM. Thanks for your understanding.

REACHING YOUR CHURCH OFFICE

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