



**Our Savior's Lutheran Church**  
**A COMMUNITY TRANSFORMED BY CHRIST TO BE CHRIST IN THE WORLD**  
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+ The Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 18, 2023

*Prayer request and visitor cards can be found in the pew rack.*

(\* Denotes when to stand, if you are able. **Boldface** readings are spoken together.

**Prelude**      “When There’s Love at Home”    McNaughton/Wilson      Nadine Berg  
There is beauty all around when there’s love at home;  
There is joy in every sound when there’s love at home.

**\*Welcome and Announcements**

In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

**\*Confession and Forgiveness**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

Most merciful God, **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

**\*Gathering Hymn**      *"God is Here"*      #526 (ELW)

1. God is here! As we your people meet to offer Praise and prayer;  
May we find in fuller measure What it is in Christ we share.  
Here, as in the World around us, all our varied skills and arts  
Wait the coming of the Spirit into open minds and hearts.

2. Here are symbols to remind us of our lifelong Need of grace;  
Here are table, font, and pulpit; Here the cross has central place.  
Here in honesty Of preaching, here in silence, as in speech,  
Here, in newness and renewal, God the Spirit comes to each

3. Here our children find a welcome in the Shepherd's Flock and fold;  
Here are bread and wine are taken, Christ sustains us as of old.  
Here the servants Of the Servant seek in worship to explore  
What it means in daily living to believe and to adore.

4. Lord of all, of church kingdom, in an age of Change and doubt,  
Keep us faithful to the gospel; Help us work your purpose out.  
Here, in this day's Dedication, all we have to give, receive;  
We, who cannot live without you, we adore you! We believe!

**\*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.**

**\*Kyrie**

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1. Have mercy on us, Lord, and hear our solemn prayer.  
We come to hear your living word; it saves us from despair.

2. Have mercy on us, Christ, and wash away our sin.  
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may begin.

3. Have mercy on us, Lord; make sin and shame depart.  
Renew us with your saving pow'r; create in us new hearts!

## **\*Hymn of Praise**

Glory to God

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1. Glory be to God in heaven; peace, goodwill to all the earth.  
Mighty God of all creation, Father of surpassing worth:  
We exalt you, we adore you we lift high our thanks and praise.  
Saints and angels bow before you; here on earth our songs we raise.
3. Holy One we now acclaim you; Lord above, to you we call;  
Holy One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:  
Jesus Christ, with God the Spirit, in the Father's splendor bright.  
For the peace that we inherit, glory be to God on high!

## **\*Prayer of the Day**

O Lord God, **we bring before you the cries of a sorrowing world. In your mercy set us free from the chains that bind us, and defend us from everything that is evil, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**



## **\*Reading**

We are no longer God's enemies but have peace with God because we were brought into a right relationship with God through Christ's death.

A reading from Romans. Romans 5:1-8

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Special Music(Piano Solo)**

"Spring's Awakening"

Naomi Ronning

**Children's Message**

Pastor Brian Birk

**\*Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia! Lord and Savior: open now your saving word.  
 Let it burn like fire within us; speak until our hearts are stirred.  
 Alleluia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

**\*Gospel**

*The mission of Jesus' followers is to continue the mission of Jesus himself. Here, he instructs his first disciples as to how they might proclaim the gospel through their words and deeds.*

The holy gospel according to Matthew 9:35—10:8 [9-23]

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; <sup>4</sup>Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. [Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff; for laborers deserve their food. Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. As you enter the house, greet it. <sup>13</sup>If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of



Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town.

“See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues; and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the Gentiles. When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you at that time; for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next; for truly I tell you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.”

The gospel of the Lord.

## **Praise to you, O Christ.**

### **Sermon**

Pastor Brian Birk

**\*Hymn of the Day**      “We All Are One in Mission #576 (ELW)

1. We all are one in mission; we all are one in call,  
Our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.  
A single great commission compels us from above  
To plan and work together that all may know Christ’s love.

2. We all are called for service, to witness in God’s name.  
Our ministries are diff’rent; our purpose is the same:  
To touch the lives of others with God’s surprising grace,  
So ev’ry folk and nation may feel God’s war embrace.

3. Now let us be united, and let our song be heard,  
Now let us be a vessel for God’s redeeming Word.  
We all are one in mission; we all are one in call,  
Our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.



## **\*Apostles' Creed**

Along with the church, we confess our faith.

**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**

*Trusting in God's abundant mercy, let us offer our prayers for a world in need.*

*A brief silence.*

For the church here and around the world, we pray. Seek out disciples and send them out with authority to proclaim good news, bring healing where there is pain, and counter the forces of evil. God, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

For all the saints, we give thanks. Receive into your eternal care all those who have died (*especially*) and fill us with hope that does not disappoint. God, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Receive our prayers and answer us, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

## **\*Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

## Reception of Offering

"Prayer in Summer" James Southridge Nadine Berg

### \*Offertory

"This is My Father's World"

#824 (vs.2 ELW)

This is my Father's World, the birds their carols raise;  
The Morning light, the lily white, declare their maker's praise.  
This is my Father's World; he shines in all that's fair.  
In the rustling grass I hear him pass; he speaks to me ev'ry where.

### \*Offering Prayer

God of all creation, **all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

### Communion

*All who believe that God is present in this meal are invited to share in the celebration of the Lord's Supper. Grape juice is available upon request. With their parents permission, all children are also invited to commune. Come forward with your hands cupped to receive. Children not communing are encouraged to come forward to receive a blessing. Communion will be brought to those unable to come to the chancel in the front pew and handicap row.*



### \*Great Thanksgiving

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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.**

### \*Holy, Holy, Holy

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Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.  
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who come in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

## Words of Institution

### Lord's Prayer

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### Lamb of God

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1. O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away;  
You suffered death our lives to save: have mercy now, we pray.
2. O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away;  
You set us free from guilt and grave: have mercy now, we pray.
3. O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away;  
Eternal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

### Communion Hymns

"We Come to the Hungry Feast"

#479 (ELW)

1. We come to the Hungry feast hungry for a word of peace  
To hungry hearts unsatisfied the love of God is not denied.  
We come, we come to the hungry feast.

2. We come to the hungry feast hungry for a world released  
From hungry folk of ev'ry kind, the poor in body, poor in mind.  
We come, we come to the hungry feast.

3. We come to the hungry feast hungry that the hunger cease,  
And knowing, though we eat our fill, the hunger will stay with us;  
still we come, we come to the hungry feast.





" I Love to Tell the Story"

#661 (ELW)

1. I love to tell the story of unseen things above,  
Of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love,  
I love to tell the story, because I know its true;  
It satisfies my longings as nothing else would do.

2. I love to tell the story: how pleasant to repeat  
What seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet!  
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard  
The message of salvation from God's own holy word.

3. I love to tell the story, for those who know it best  
Seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest  
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,  
I'll sing the old, old story that I have loved so long.



"For the Bread Which You Have Broken"

#494 (ELW)

1. For the bread which you have broken, for the wine which you have poured,  
For the words which you have spoken, now we give you thanks, O Lord.

2. By this promise that you love us, by your gift of peace restored,  
By your call to heav'n above us, hallow all our lives, O Lord.

3. With the Saints who now adore you, seated at the heav'nly board,  
May the church still waiting for your keep love's tie unbroken, Lord.

4. In your service, Lord, defend us; in our hearts keep watch and ward;  
In the world to which you send us let your kingdom come, O Lord.

### **\*Prayer after Communion**

O God, **we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **\*Blessing**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. **Amen.**

### **\*Sending Hymn**     "O Zion, Haste"

#668 (ELW)

1. O Zion, haste, your mission high fulfilling,  
To tell to all the world that God is light;  
That he who made all nations is not willing  
One soul should perish, lost in shades of night.

2. Publish to ev'ry people, tongue, and nation  
That God, in whom they live and move, is love;  
Tell how he stooped to save his lost creation  
And died on earth that we might live above.

3. He comes again! O Zion, ere you meet him,  
Make known to ev'ry heart his saving grace;  
Let none whom he has ransomed fail to greet him,  
Through your neglect, unfit to see his face.

### **\*Dismissal**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Postlude**

*"The Great Commission"* Hugh S. Livingston, Jr.

Nadine Berg

## **ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP**

Pastor: Pastor Brian Birk  
Acolyte: Aveya Hoover & Spencer Ruzich  
Lector: Keith Eggert  
Choir Director: Roy Berg  
Organist: Nadine Berg  
Ushers: Roy & Ada Hobbs /Jim McDonald  
Videographer: Dustin Davidson & John Law  
Tellers: Jan Gregorich & Dianne Mousseau  
Altar Guild: Jill Klapatch & Carmen Solberg

## **NEWS & NOTES**

### Birthdays & Anniversaries:

A very Happy Birthday to Carol Lind (6/6) and Marie Voland (6/8)

A very Happy Anniversary to Dick & Mary Hemmersbaugh celebrating 63 years! and Corey & Sharon Schloesser celebrating 55 years!



### RADIO BROADCAST

Today's radio broadcast is sponsored by the Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren of George Glad in loving memory.

Organs in Review continues its 39<sup>th</sup> Summer Recital Series is Wednesday, June 21<sup>st</sup> at 12:00 pm Hibbing High School Auditorium (800 E 21<sup>st</sup> St. Hibbing)with organist Karen Sande & Friends. Donations are accepted to Claribel Hamilton Organ Scholarship Fund.

## **OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK**

### **Today, June 18th**

9:00 Communion & Worship  
/Fellowship  
10:00 OSLCW  
10:30 Radio  
1240 AM WMFG  
11:15 Chapel of the Pines

### **Monday, 19th**

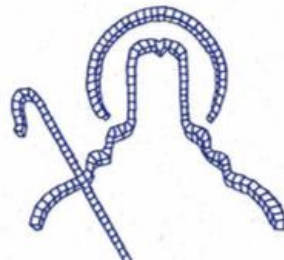
9:00 Quilting

### **Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup>**

6:00 TV Broadcast  
Chanel 805

### **Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup>**

8:00 TV Broadcast  
Chanel 805  
8:30 Bible Study





Camp Vermilion's Bluegrass Festival is now *Sounds of the Northwoods*.

This summer the festival will happen on August 5. Come and participate in many of the activities you've enjoyed previous years. There will be music (of course), food, fellowship, auctions, the silent auction, the Church Basket Raffle, and more. Our Savior's "Basket" is entitled *"Everything but the Kitchen Sink."*

If you'd like to contribute items to our "Basket," we'll be collecting them in the Com Room.



## Voyagers Lutheran Ministry

### Community Day Camp

Hosted by Hibbing Area Churches at First Lutheran Church

When : August 7 - 10 9:00 am to 3 pm

Where: First Lutheran Church (2201 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave E, Hibbing)

Experience the Joy of camp in your own community!

The Voyageurs Lutheran Ministry Community Day Camp runs each day from 9 am - 3 pm Monday through Thursday, offering worship, bible study, games, activities, new friends music, arts, crafts and more for grades K-5! Plus-watch for information about a community event hosted by the Hibbing area churches.

**\*\*Registration information can be found at [www.vlmcamps.org/community-day-camp](http://www.vlmcamps.org/community-day-camp) or by contacting the Office (218-263-7422)\*\***