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Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 23, 2017

GATHERING

PRELUDE		Barb Hanson
BELLS		
WELCOME SONG	<i>This Is My Father's World</i>	LBW 554*
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		
CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS		Screen
GATHERING HYMN	<i>Come, All You People</i>	WOV 717
GREETING		

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

C: And also with you.

KYRIE		Screen
HYMN OF PRAISE	<i>Praise to the Lord, the Almighty</i> (vs. 1)	LBW 543

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Faithful God, most merciful judge,

C: you care for your children with firmness and compassion. By your Spirit nurture us who live in your kingdom, that we may be rooted in the way of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING		Isaiah 44:6-8
SECOND READING		Romans 8:12-25
CHILDREN'S SERMON	<i>Jesus Loves Me, This I Know</i>	Pr. Dan Babine
RESPONSE	"Glory to you, O Lord."	
GOSPEL		Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43
RESPONSE	"Praise to you, O Christ."	
SERMON		Pr. Dan Babine

HYMN OF THE DAY *I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry* WOV 770*

APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

P: Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

MEAL

PEACE

OFFERING

Habitat for Humanity

OFFERTORY

Barb Hanson

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Merciful God,

C: you open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing. You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it. Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it. We pray this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

SALUTATION

Screen

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup we proclaim the mysteries of faith

C: Christ has died; Christ has risen; Christ will come again

THE LORD'S PRAYER (please sing)

DISTRIBUTION (via intinction)

COMMUNION MUSIC

Listen, God Is Calling.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Jesus Christ, host of this meal,

C: you have given us not only this bread and cup, but your very self, that we may feast on your great love. Filled again by these signs of your grace, may we hunger for your reign of justice, may we thirst for your way of peace, for you are Lord forevermore.

Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

P: May God, whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine, grant you the gifts of faith and hope. Almighty God, Father, †Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen

BELLS

SENDING SONG

Go, Now in Peace

Screen

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. The Spirit sends us forth to serve.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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* denotes a favorite hymn

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This Week's Bible Readings

Mon	Psalm 75, Nahum 1:1-13, Revelation 14:12-20
Tue	Psalm 75, Zephaniah 3:1-13, Galatians 4:21-5:1
Wed	Psalm 75, Daniel 12:1-13, Matthew 12:15-21
Thu	Psalm 119:129-136, 1 Kings 1:28-37, 1 Corinthians 4:14-20
Fri	Psalm 119:129-136, 1 Kings 1:38-42, Acts 7:44-53
Sat	Psalm 119:129-136, 1 Kings 2:1-4, Matthew 12:38-42
Sun	1 Kings 3:5-12, Psalm 119:129-136, Romans 8:26-39, Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

Service Assistants

	This Week	Next Week
Greeters	Everyone	Everyone
Ushers	Jim & Gloria Thomsen	Aug. - John & Shirley Koltes
Acolyte	Hayden Rettke	Aug. 6 – Hayden Rettke
Reader	Melissa Stover	Aug. 6 – Arland Waters
Communion	Melissa Stover	Aug. 6 - Arland & Carol Waters

Prayer Concerns: *The family of Dina Carlson, Christine Slay (Carl Anderson's God Daughter), Joan Gustad, Shawn Andress, Ralph Paulson (brother of Jan Knutson), Austin Peet (friend of Debbie Hodapp,) Lexi Wheeler (Jim & Gloria Thomsen's granddaughter), Torey Meyer, Theresa Gerten (friend of Knutsons), Shelly West (daughter of Barb Doerring), Merub Morris (friend of Synstegards), Dorothy Pohl, Jeanette Johnson, Tim Cooper, Shirley Davies (aunt of Peg Davies), Dennis Sweeney (brother of Linda Anderson), Eloise McLaughlin (friend of Carole Ann Morris), Futz (friend of Tom Synstegard), Dennis Lecy (friend of Peg Davies), Chad Jarman (Lorna Cooper's friend), Jennifer Lyons (Carol Jones's niece), Wayne Hruby (Dorothy Pohl's friend), Ryan Lau, Tina Mitchell (Carole Ann Morris's sister), Linda Husby, Arnold Dahl, Hannah Gass (granddaughter of Larry Gass), Barb Doerring, Jim & Lorrie Bergquist, Annika Mae Feist (grandniece of Lorna Cooper), Joy & Tim Atwater (Carol Jones's sister & brother-in-law), Judy Gerdts (friend of Peg Davies), Jerry Johnson, (Jeanette Johnson's son), Shawn Semmler (Rachelle Krotzer's brother)*

Welcome!

We are blessed by the presence of every individual as we are called together to worship God. Everyone is invited to the Lord's Table.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

July 23, 2017

Thank you, Pr. Dan, for preaching this morning!

July 30 Ecumenical Worship Service (Bethany, First, & Church of Christ) will be in Nevis at Muskie Park at 10:00. **Church of Christ will be serving pancakes** at 9 in Muskie Park.

Sign-up sheets in the narthex for community dinner – July 27 from 5-6:30

Trinity Lutheran, LaPorte -**Annual Chicken Dinner** – Aug. 2, from 5-7

VBS – August 14 – at BLC. If you'd like to help, see Peg.

Please check your mailboxes in the narthex for the **NWMN Synod's Fall Gathering physical offering information.**

Newsletter info – please send/give to Jan Knutson: jknutsonak@arvig.net

PLEASE help with the cleaning of the church. The sign-up sheet is in the narthex. You don't have to commit to an entire month. If you have questions, please contact someone on the maintenance committee.

June Income: \$5,170.53 June Expenses: \$5,030.70

Opportunities This Week

Today	Coffee Fellowship	9:30 AM
	Worship Service	10:30 AM
Mon	Pr. Carleton's office & coffee hours at Zappy's in Akeley	TBA
	AA Meeting	8:00 PM
Tues	Pr. Carleton's office hours at FLC	9:00 – 12:00 AM
	UCAN Office	10:00 – 12:00 AM
Wed	Men's Breakfast & Bible study – BLC	7:30:00 AM
	Ecumenical Bible Study – Our Lady of the Pines	10:00 AM
Thur	Community Dinner at BLC – FLC serving	5:00 – 6:30 PM
Sun	Church of Christ Pancake breakfast – Muskie Park	9:00 AM
	Ecumenical Worship at Muskie Park	10:00 AM