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Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

July 23, 2023

GATHERING

PRELUDE	Danny Lecy
BELLS	
WELCOME SONG <i>Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil</i>	WOV #713*
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS	
CALL TO WORSHIP	from Psalm 139
OPENING HYMN <i>Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing</i>	LBW #499
CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS	screen
PRAYER OF THE DAY	screen

WORD

FIRST READING	<i>Isaiah 44:6-8</i>
GOSPEL	<i>Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43</i>
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE	
SONG <i>Jesus Loves Me</i>	
SERMON	
HYMN OF THE DAY <i>Lord of All Hopefulness</i>	LBW #469*
	<i>(vs. 1,2,3)</i>
APOSTLES' CREED	screen

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P: Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

SHARING THE PEACE

OFFERING

MISSION FOCUS: Akeley-Nevis Food Shelf

OFFERTORY PRAYER screen

MEAL

GREAT THANKSGIVING
WORDS OF INSTITUTION
LORD'S PRAYER
COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION
SPECIAL MUSIC
POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Danny Lecy

SENDING

BLESSING
BELLS
CLOSING HYMN *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*
(vs. 1,2,4)

LBW #543*

DISMISSAL
P: Go in peace. Love and serve the Lord.
C: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Danny Lecy

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THIS WEEK'S BIBLE READINGS

Mon [Psalm 139:13-18; Genesis 32:3-21; Revelation 14:12-20](#)
Tue [Psalm 139:13-18; Genesis 33:1-17; Galatians 4:21-5:1](#)
Wed [Psalm 139:13-18; Genesis 35:16-29; Matthew 12:15-21](#)
Thu [Psalm 105:1-11, 45b; Genesis 29:1-8; 1 Corinthians 4:14-20](#)
Fri [Psalm 105:1-11, 45b; Genesis 29:9-14; Acts 7:44-53](#)
Sat [Psalm 105:1-11, 45b; Genesis 29:31-30:24; Matthew 12:38-42](#)
Sun [Psalm 119:129-136; 1 Kings 3:5-12; Romans 8:26-39;](#)
[Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52](#)

SERVICE ASSISTANTS

This Week

Greeters Everyone
Ushers Mike & Carol Jones
Reader Danny Lecy
Communion Assistants: Betty Lecy & Raylan Stanley

Next Week

Everyone
Tom & Shane Synstegard
Danny Lecy
Communion Assistants: Carol Jones & Addy Weckwerth

Prayer Concerns: The people of the Ukraine, The ARCC Emergency Shelter, Akeley-Nevis Food Shelf; The family of Bev Mitchell, Marlys Stainbrook, Dorothy Pohl, Amanda Semmler, Kristine Schlager (Carl Anderson's niece), Carl & Linda Anderson, Sharon Arvik, Billie Marie Larson, Phyllis Carlson, Tim Atwater (brother-in-law of Carol Jones), Susan K. (friend of Violet Sundermeyer), Johanna Jones, (niece of Mike Jones), Jean (cousin of Vi Sundermeyer), Emily (friend of Vi Sundermeyer), Elaine Kelsey (friend of Peg Davies), Lori, Rose & Don (Vi Sundermeyer's sister and brother-in-law), Jerry Johnson (brother of Jay Johnson), Ryan Lau, Debbie Wells (daughter of Phyllis Deer & sister to Mel Stover), Suzanne Dock (friend of Carol Lenander & Larry Gass), Larry Gass, Vi Sundermeyer, Stan Pidde (brother of Duane Pidde), Don (Corina Bronczyk's brother-in-law), Carla & Scott (friends of Corina Bronczyk), Ryan Wood (Darrin & Corina Bronczyk's nephew), Ron Neppi (friend of Peg Davies), Mike O'Rourke (friend of Peg Davies), Karen Rich (sister of Mike Jones, The Evenson family, Bonnie & George Lueck, Peggy Lindstrom (friend of Cina Pidde), Kelly Wosika (Bobbie Wosika's sister-in-law), Carole Olafson (friend of Peg Davies & Aunt of Wayne Lenander), Tim & Lorna Cooper, Tina Riggs (friend of Bobbie Wosika), Susan Nyhusmoen, Jerry Leverson (Resurrection Band singer), Jim Thomsen, Sylvan Gerdts (friend of Jay & Heather Johnson), Lee Johnson (husband of Denice Johnson), Dale Emmeck (friend of Peg Davies), Mark Hiene (Linda Anderson's brother-in-law), Boyd Nelson (son of the late Catherine Nelson)

Opportunities This Week

Today	Worship Service	10:00 AM
	Coffee Fellowship	11:00 AM
Sun	Worship Service	10:00 AM
	Coffee Fellowship	11:00 AM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The term of our treasurer, Bernie Beck, concludes Dec. 31. We're hoping someone will be lead by God to take this position. Contact someone from the council if you're interested or have questions.
- Our sanctuary had insect invaders for which we didn't budget. We've had the perimeter of the entire building sprayed at the expense of \$300. Please consider donating. The “Bug” jar is on the counter near the java jar in the fellowship hall.
- Bethany Lutheran of Nevis is open to the community on Tuesday mornings from 6:30 – 8:00 and Thursday afternoons from 3:30 – 5:00 for silent prayer and meditation. No commitment, sign-in or time limit.
- Women of the ELCA – NWMN Synod - 35th Annual Convention Saturday, September 9, 2023. If you'd like to attend, please contact Peg.

July Mission of the Month

Akeley-Nevis Food Shelf

Suppliers for the food shelf have been in short supply of the following food items. July mission will be a collection of the following items:

Peanut Butter

Jelly

Spaghetti

Spaghetti Sauce

Juice

Kids' Cereal

Canned Fruit

Canned Vegetables

5# Sugar