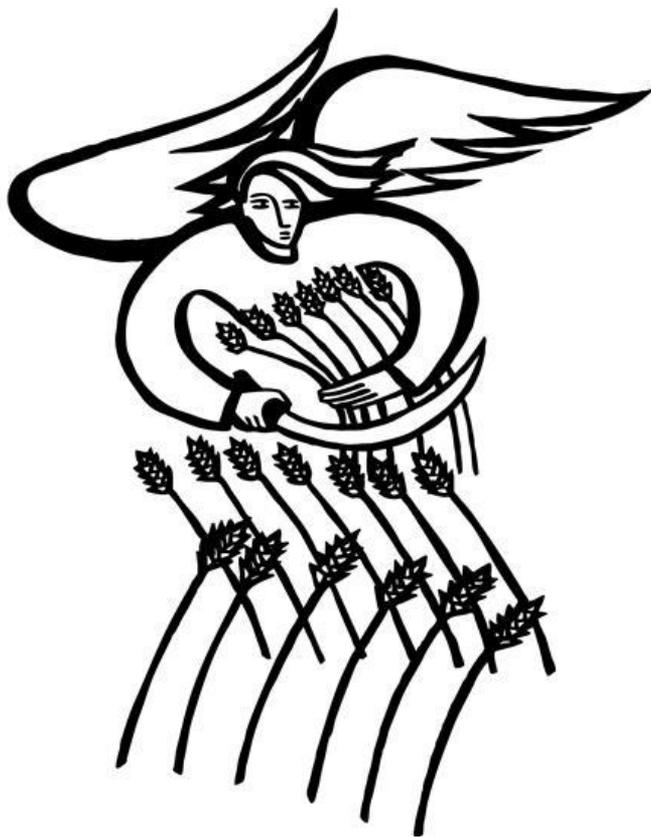


St. Andrew's Lutheran Church

Sunday, July 23, 2017

"7th Sunday after Pentecost"

9:00 Worship



Our Mission

REACHING OUT – SHARING GRACE

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GATHER

*Please stand as you are able.

PRELUDE

"Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling"
arr. by Burkhardt

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

***OPENING SONG** *"O Holy Spirit Root of Life"* #399

*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.**

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

℣ Faithful God,

☩ **most merciful judge, 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.**

*PEACE

℣ The peace of Christ be with you always.

☩ **And also with you.**

All are encouraged to share a greeting of peace.

PRAISING GOD THROUGH SONG

"Whom Shall I Fear God of Angel Armies"

WORD

READING

Isaiah 44:6-8

⁶Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel, and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts: I am the first and I am the last; besides me there is no god. ⁷Who is like me? Let them proclaim it, let them declare and set it forth before me. Who has

announced from of old the things to come? Let them tell us what is yet to be. ⁸Do not fear, or be afraid; have I not told you from of old and declared it? You are my witnesses! Is there any god besides me? There is no other rock; I know not one.

📖 Word of God, word of life.

🙏 **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalm 86:11-17

📖 Teach me your way, O LORD, and I will walk in your truth; give me an undivided heart to revere your name.

🙏 **I will thank you, O Lord my God, with all my heart, and glorify your name forevermore.**

📖 For great is your love toward me; you have delivered me from the pit of death.

🙏 **The arrogant rise up against me, O God, and a band of violent people seeks my life; they have not set you before their eyes.**

📖 But you, O Lord, are gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger, and full of kindness and truth.

🙏 **Turn to me and have mercy on me; give your strength to your servant, and save the child of your handmaid. Show me a sign of your favor, so that those who hate me may see it and be put to shame; because you, Lord, have helped me and comforted me.**

GOSPEL

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

²⁴[Jesus] put before [the crowds] another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field;²⁵but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. ²⁶So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. ²⁷And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' ²⁸He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and

gather them?' ²⁹But he replied, 'No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. ³⁰Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'" ³⁶Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." ³⁷He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; ³⁸the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, ³⁹and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. ⁴⁰Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. ⁴¹The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, ⁴²and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!"

📖 The Gospel of the Lord!

👏 **Praise to you, O Christ!**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Glorious"

*We lift our hands in praise to You,
lift our hearts in worship to You, Lord.
We lift our voice to You and sing,
our greatest love will ever be You, Lord, You, Lord.
Glorious over us You shall reign glorious.
There is a King that we adore,
with humble hearts we bow before You, Lord.
There is a place we long to be,
yes, face to face we long to see You, Lord, You, Lord.
Glorious over us You shall reign glorious.*

*Glorious over us You shall reign glorious.
Majesty and power are Yours alone forever.
Majesty and power are Yours alone forever.
Glorious over us You shall reign glorious.
Glorious over us You shall reign glorious.
Glorious over us You shall reign glorious.*

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

(Prayer response "Hear Our Prayer")

OFFERING/OFFERING SONG

"Praise and Thanksgiving"

#689

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

℣ Creator God, we gather as your children in need of forgiveness.

☩ **We have all sinned against you in thought, word, and deed.**

℣ For the times we have failed to put you first in our hearts,

☩ **God, forgive our lack of faith.**

℣ For the people we have failed to help because of our selfishness,

☩ **God, forgive our lack of concern.**

℣ Most merciful God, forgive our sins, and hear the prayers of our hearts.

(pause for reflection)

℣ God has heard our prayers and forgives our sin. We are no longer held captive by the chains of sin. We are free to fly like the eagle, released from the bonds of death. Jesus loves us! This is all we need to know, for we do not receive the keys to the community of God because of our great faith, or by our kind deeds. It is because Jesus died on the cross and rose victorious over death that we have become heirs to everlasting life. Praise God from whom all blessing flow!

MEAL

*WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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*LORD'S PRAYER

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INVITATION TO COMMUNION

☒ This is the table, not of the church, but of God. So come, you who have much faith and you who have little, you who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time, you who have tried to follow and you who have tried, but fallen short. Come, not because I invite you, but because God desires to meet you here.

COMMUNION

- *Everyone is welcome at the Lord's Table.*
- *The trays contain individual glasses with purple wine or white grape juice. Receptacles for empty glasses are found at the far end of the front pews.*
- *A blessing is offered for those not communing.*
- *Gluten-free wafers are available – please ask your server.*

COMMUNION SONGS

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

#733

"Holy"

*What heart could hold the weight of Your love,
and know the heights of Your great worth?*

*What eyes could look on Your glorious face,
shining like the sun?*

*What heart could hold the weight of Your love,
and know the heights of Your great worth?*

*What eyes could look on Your glorious face,
shining like the sun?*

You are holy, holy, holy,

God most high and God most worthy.

You are holy, holy, holy,

Jesus, You are, Jesus, You are.

Your name alone has pow'r to raise us.

*Your light will shine when all else fades.
Our eyes will look on Your glorious face,
shining like the sun.*

Who is like You, God?

*You are holy, holy, holy,
God most high and God most worthy.*

*You are holy, holy, holy,
Jesus, You are, Jesus, You are.*

*You are holy, holy, holy,
God most high and God most worthy.*

*You are holy, holy, holy,
Jesus, You are, Jesus, You are.*

Jesus, You are, Jesus, You are.

Who shall we say You are?

You're the living God.

Who shall we say You are?

You're the Great I Am.

*The highest name of all,
You're all You say You are.*

*You are holy, holy, holy,
God most high and God most worthy.*

*You are holy, holy, holy,
Jesus, You are, Jesus, You are.*

*You are holy, holy, holy,
God most high and God most worthy.*

*You are holy, holy, holy,
Jesus, You are, Jesus, You are.*

Jesus, You are, Jesus, You are.

*And You will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead.*

*All eyes will look on Your glorious face,
shining like the sun.*

Who is like You, God?

*You are holy, holy, holy,
God most high and God most worthy.*

*You are holy, holy, holy,
Jesus, You are, Jesus, You are.*

*You are holy, holy, holy,
God most high and God most worthy.
You are holy, holy, holy,
Jesus, You are, Jesus, You are.
Jesus, You are, Jesus, You are.*

***WORDS AFTER COMMUNION**

📖 May the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ give us strength for today and hope for tomorrow.

🗣️ **Amen.**

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

📖 Jesus Christ, host of this meal, 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**

📖 May the Lord walk beside you to comfort you.
May the Lord walk above you to watch over you.
May the Lord walk before you to show you the way.
In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

🗣️ **Amen.**

***CLOSING SONG**

"Rock of Ages"

*There is no rock, there is no god
like our God; No other name
worthy of all our praise.
The Rock of salvation that cannot be moved,
He's proven Himself to be faithful and true.
There is no rock, there is no god like ours.
There is no rock, there is no god
like our God; No other name
worthy of all our praise.*

*The Rock of salvation that cannot be moved,
He's proven Himself to be faithful and true.*

There is no rock, there is no god like ours.

Rock of Ages, Jesus is the Rock.

Rock of Ages, Jesus is the Rock.

Rock of Ages. Jesus is the Rock.

*There is no rock, there is no god
like ours.*

*Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
let me hide myself in thee;
let the water and the blood,
from thy riven side which flowed,
be of sin the double cure;
cleans me from its guilt and pow'r.*

Rock of Ages, Jesus is the Rock.

Rock of Ages, Jesus is the Rock.

Rock of Ages. Jesus is the Rock.

There is no rock, there is no god like ours.

There is no rock, there is no god like ours.

There is no rock, there is no god like ours.

***DISMISSAL**

📖 Go out into the world in peace, to love and serve the Lord!

👉 **We go, reaching out-sharing grace!**

POSTLUDE "O Day Full of Grace" *arr. by Burkhardt*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Offering For July 16, 2017

\$1486.50

Last Week's Attendance Figures

9:00 - 103

PRAYER CONCERNS: *Inez Herbert, Marian Anderson, Adeline Schulz, Esther Erickson, Pat Kent, Verna Smith, Frank Mook, Joyce Hall, and our congregation.*

1st TIME GUESTS... We hope you will find our congregation warm and friendly and that our worship together will be a blessing to you.

NURSERY/CHILD CARE is available during service. Please ask an Usher for directions.

SABBATICAL PRAYER CALENDAR...Would you like to pray for Pastor and for the congregation during Sabbatical? Please sign up for a few days on the prayer calendar in the Narthex!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL...We will be holding vacation bible school for preschool and school age children beginning July 9th through July 30th from 10:30 to 11:30am.

QUILT AUCTION...St Andrew's has four quilts in the annual Carol Joy Holling quilt auction taking place on July 29th starting at 9am. Quilts can be viewed and bids placed online at www.caroljoyholling.org.

QUILTS DISPLAY-be sure to stop by the Fellowship Hall and take a look at the hanging quilts displayed on the walls. Thanks to Tina Moore for putting those up!

ST ANDREWS 2017 FAMILY PICNIC/BICYCLE RIDE will take place Saturday, July 22, 4 pm at Pioneers Park, where we'll find a shady spot for those waiting for riders. All riders will return to the park for a 5:30 pm picnic. Bring everything you need for your family's meal and something to share. If you have questions please contact Don Dingman or Bryce McBride. Picnic/Ride will be canceled in the event of storms.

NO FEAST IN AUGUST-due to a calendar mix-up at Our Saviour's there will be no Feast in August.

WE HAVE TWO sturdy work tables available for FREE. If interested, please pick one (or both) up. They are located by the church garage. They will be disposed of if no one takes them this week.

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

Blended Worship Extended: Council unanimously voted to support a continuation of the Blended Worship Service through Sunday, September 10th. Several reasons supported this decision.

1. To allow St. Andrew's as a Congregation to experience our Blended Worship with Pastor Kim as our Pastor.
2. To allow for an intergenerational God's Work Our Hands Service Project on Sunday, September 10th.
3. To allow additional time to respond to the recent resignation of Organist, Diane Carlson.

Organist Resignation: Council received and accepted the resignation of Diane Carlson as St. Andrew's Organist; effective Sunday, July 23rd. Diane has tendered her resignation to allow for more time with her family. Council thanks Diane for her faithful service.

Church Security: Recent security concerns have prompted Council to support the locking of our Church doors during regular business hours. A sign has been posted on the entry door by the office indicating the same. Once the building has been rekeyed this decision will be reassessed. Council also reviewed a recent e-mail received from Lincoln Police Department outlining the number of Church burglaries since the beginning of 2017. If you are at the Church for an event, Council encourages you to take the following precautions:

- Be aware to possible signs of entry or attempts to enter our building (i.e., pried or broken windows, pried doors, or other external areas that appear to have been compromised).
- Be attentive to things that appear out of place both within and outside the building.
- When participating in an event at Church; once all participants have arrived consider locking all doors to prevent any unintended entry.

In all cases, if you notice something please contact Office Manager, Connie Arnold, during regular business hours, or Council President, Jody Busse at 402-440-3229 during non-business hours.

Backpack Program: A Temple Talk was recently presented by Linda Stubbendick and Daryl Swanson in support of our continued engagement with the Backpack Program at Meadowlane Elementary. The Council thanks Deb Mulinix for her faithful service and commitment as the Coordinator for the Backpack Program.

Roofing Update: All necessary roofing repairs have now been completed.

Refresh Project: Council expressed appreciation and thanks to Tina Moore for her leadership with the Refresh Project. Council thanks all those who participated in the planning and completion of this work. Positive and supportive comments have been expressed for the refreshed look of St. Andrew's.

Rally Sunday: Rally Sunday has been scheduled for Sunday, September 17th. This additional time will allow the Stewardship Committee and others to more effectively reach out to the Meadowlane neighborhood. Look forward to banners, signs and other publicity to increase the visibility of St. Andrew's in our community.

BBQ Cook Off and Congregational Picnic: In a continued effort to share fellowship with one another, Council has decided to combine the BBQ Cook Off and Congregational Picnic. This event will be held Sunday, September 17th with the Potluck Event beginning at 6:00 PM. Harry and Lois Muhlback will be coordinating the BBQ Cook Off. Homemade Ice Cream will be provided by Clarice Reige and Greg Reige. Special invitations to this event will be extended to those who provided Pastoral support to the congregation during Pastor Kim's Sabbatical. Please bring a Potluck dish to share.

ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP TODAY

USHERS: NEEDED

GREETERS: NEEDED

READER: Samantha McBride

COMMUNION ASST: Samantha McBride

SLIDE PRESENTER: Colton & Scott Jensen

SOUND: Don Dingman

PREACHER: Rev. Rebecca Sheridan

ASSISTING MINISTER: Sandy Carlson

CHILDREN'S SERMON: TJ Ochsner

Church Office hours M-F 8am to 4pm

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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| SUN | 7/23 | 9:00 a.m. | Worship |
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| | | | DON & MILLIE'S FUNDRAISER |
| MON | 7/24 | 5:30 p.m. | Iris Society |
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| TUES | 7/25 | 9:00 a.m. | Quilting |
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| WED | 7/26 | 7:00 p.m. | Praise Team |
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| THUR | 7/27 | 1:00 p.m. | Pitch Club |
| | | 7:00 p.m. | Boy Scouts |
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| FRI | 7/28 | 7:00 p.m. | Iris Society Sale Set up |
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| SAT | 7/29 | 8:00 a.m. | Iris Society Sale |
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| SUN | 7/30 | 9:00 a.m. | Worship |
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