

July 21, 2019

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And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel.

Paul's Interest in the Colossians

I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

Luke 10:38-42

Jesus Visits Martha and Mary

Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

We are in the season after Pentecost, where we watch & learn from how the Church, the Body of Christ, grew and grows. We experience all the gifts our God of love has given us, all the ways Jesus Christ, the Living Word, is with us, all the ways the Holy Spirit teaches us and prompts us to deeper faith, more committed discipleship, and reaching out with a wider welcome to all the people God loves. We are glad you are here worshiping with us, and invite you to sign our guest book, fill out a green visitor or prayer slip found in the pew, or talk with Pr. Mary Kaye. Thanks for being here!

If you'd like to request a pastoral visit, please message Pastor Mary Kaye to schedule a time and day that works for you.

FAMILY PATHWAYS

Family Pathways is asking for help restocking their shelves by donating non-perishable food items! There is a bin at the church for collections! Want to give financially? \$10 feeds a family for one week!

HEARING DEVICES are available to assist with hearing. Please ask an usher and they will be happy to get you one!

QUILTERS meet on the 2nd & 4th Thursdays at 9:30am. No experience needed! We invite you to join us!

SARAH CIRCLE is for the following items: Boys & Girls 0-3 month sleepers, receiving blankets and crib blankets.

COUNCIL MEMBERS		Next Council Meeting
Wendy Szczepanski	Miriam Flysjo	TODAY
Rose Anderson	Craig Loen	10:30am
Becky Hulden		
Pastor Mary Kaye Ashley		

CALENDAR

(www.tflutheran.org for full calendar)

Sun July 21 (Pr. Hrs:8a-3:30p)

9a - Worship
10a - Fellowship
10:15a - Council Meeting
2p - Worship @ The Lodge

Mon July 22

9a - Staff Meeting

Tues July 23

9a - Together with Friends, FELC
Bible Study: Mary Anne Mattson
Snack Host: NEEDED

Wed July 24 (Pr. Hrs:6p-8:30p)

10:30a - Book Study, The Lodge
6:30p - Bible Study

Thurs July 25

9a - Together with Friends, Baptist
9:30a - Quilters

Fri July 26 (Pr. Hrs:5p-7:30p)

5:30p - Steeple Fundraiser

Sun July 28

Guest Preacher Phil Peterson

9a - Worship
10a - Fellowship

UPCOMING EVENTS!

♦ **BIBLE STUDY....**We're continuing to dig into the Gospel of John! At our next Bible study on July 24th, we will be working on John 16. New joiners welcome at any time!! We meet from 6:30 -8p on Wednesday evenings. Bring food if you need some or want to share; wonderings, too! July 24th & 31st.

♦ **BOOK STUDY** at the Lodge continues in July, Wednesdays noted below at 10:30am. We are reading Trouble I've Seen: Changing the Way the Church views Racism by Drew Hart. Call PMK or office for a copy of the book. Look for us in the sunroom! July 24th.

♦ **TOGETHER WITH FRIENDS** is wrapping up this week! Tuesday: First

Lutheran and Thursday: Baptist Church. We are in need of someone to host snack hour (bring & serve treats) on Tuesday, July 23rd. Please sign up on the bulletin board near the usher stand if you are able to help! If you have a child who would like to attend, they still can! Day camp runs from 9am to 12pm. No pre-registration is required!

♦ **JULY STEEPLE FUNDRAISER** is Friday, July 26th at 5:30pm. Menu includes Burgers, Watermelon, and Veggies! There is a sign up sheet for items needed on the bulletin board, check it out if you are able to contribute to the meal! Free will offering is welcome! Invite friends, neighbors and family!

♦ **MiChiLu: MONTHLY COLLABORATIVE MEETING** is scheduled for Tuesday, August 13th from 12:30pm to 2:30pm. The location will be announced—stay tuned! Everyone is welcome!

♦ **MiChiLu: EMPTY BOWLS FUNDRAISER** is on Thursday, August 15th hosted by Immanuel in Almelund. Money raised will benefit local food shelves! All are welcome! If you are willing to bring a soup pot of soup for this event, please let us know! There will also be a silent auction at this event—if you have a gift to give, see PMK.

Scripture Readings:

Genesis 18:1-10

A Son Promised to Abraham and Sarah

The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son." And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him.

Psalm 15

Colossians 1:15-28

The Supremacy of Christ

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.