

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Sunday 6/21: Please come for the Congregational meeting. No coffee hour after worship. Happy Father's Day!

Tuesday 6/23: Food Pantry set up, 9:30am; Distribution, 12-2 pm.

Thursday 6/25: Wittenberg Door Pastor's Fellowship – DeKalb, 10am.

Saturday 6/27: In-Church Worship Service, 5:30pm.

Sunday 6/28: In-Church Worship Service at 9am.

PARISH CONCERNS

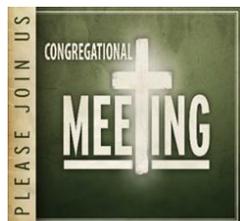
Please keep in your daily prayers all people in need, including those mentioned here:

- Jeanette Feiertag, Nancy Rasmussen's mother passed away Thursday morning. Her funeral will be at her home church, Trinity Lutheran in Hammond, IN. on Wednesday. Our deepest condolences to Jeanette's family. May the peace of God's resurrection bring you peace.
- Denny Rehn was in a vehicle accident recently. He is home.
- Joyce Thornton, Jane Johnson's sister started radiation treatments this week.
- Our nation, that it may find racial justice and harmony, and peace.
- Our NALC Bishop Dan Selbo. (Please read Bishop Selbo's letter, "First Steps in Addressing Racial Tension". Copies are in the Narthex and on the NALC website, www.theNALC.org.)
- All elected leaders, police officers, first responders, and military personnel, that they hear and receive God's guidance and protection.
- All who are providing essential services during the pandemic, and all who are affected by it.
- All those who are not able to worship with us because they are in health care facilities or homebound.
- All those who are suffering physical or mental illness, and their families, caregivers, and medical teams.
- All pregnant women and the babies they are carrying.
- Persecuted Christians throughout the world.



CONGREGATIONAL MEETING:

A Congregational meeting will be held right after church tomorrow to consider a revised budget for 2020. A proposed revision, taking into account the postponement of Pastor & Nancy Rasmussen's retirement, will be presented. If you are able, please come to vote on this.



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Kirkland, IL - Est. December 26, 1873*

*Saturday, June 20, 2020
(With Readings for the 3rd Sunday of Pentecost)
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THE SERVICE BEGINS

P We begin this service IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER:

C Dear Heavenly Father, we thank you for creating all living things and causing them to grow;

P AND OF THE SON:

C O Jesus Christ, our Savior, in whom we have been born anew, help us to grow up in every way into You, who are our Lord;

P AND OF THE HOLY SPIRIT:

C Dear Holy Spirit, you have called us all and gathered us together as the Body of Christ, the Church. Help your church to grow – in numbers, in faith, and in love.

All: AMEN!

OPENING SONG: “ON EAGLE’S WINGS”

1. You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord, who abide in this shadow for life,
Say to the Lord: “My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!”

Refrain

“And I will raise you up on eagle’s wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun,
And hold you in the palm of my hand.”

2. Snares of the fowler will never capture you, and famine will bring you no fear;
Under God’s wings your refuge with faithfulness your shield. *Refrain*

3. For to the angels God’s given a command to guard you in all of your ways;
Upon their hands they will bear you up, lest you dash your foot against a stone.

Refrain

WE CONFESS

P Let us confess our weakness and sin, and hear the comfort of God.

C Dear Holy Spirit, we do not know how to pray as we ought. We confess that we have lived according to the flesh, with our minds set on the things of the flesh. We know this is death. We pray that each day you will set us free, setting our minds on the things of the Spirit, which is life and peace. *(Romans 8:5-6,26)*



ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar are given by Louie Mielke in memory of Rhonda Mielke who passed away two years ago.

Next Week’s Readings:

Jeremiah 28:5-9; Psalm 119:153-160; Romans 7:1-13; Matthew 10:34-42

CLOSING SONG: "FAITH OF OUR FATHERS"

1. Faith of our fathers, living still
In spite of dungeon, fire, and sword.
Oh, how our hearts beat high with joy
Whene'er we hear that glorious word.

Refrain

Faith of our fathers, holy faith,
We will be true to thee till death.

2. The martyrs, chained in prisons dark,
Were still in heart and conscience free;
And blest would be their children's fate
If they, like them, should die for thee. *Refrain*

3. Faith of our fathers! We will love
Both friend and foe in all our strife;
Proclaim thee, too, as love knows how,
By saving Word and faithful life. *Refrain*

P Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

C Thanks be to God!

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Attendance Last Sunday, 6/14: 24

Offering Last Week: General \$2,878 (needed wkly: \$3,334) Bldg: \$625

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Attendance last Saturday, 6/13: 17

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS!!!

Paul Buzzell 6/22

Sarah Schmidt 6/22

Russ Mothkovich 6/24

Donna Koehnke (Grandma) 6/30

Tadd Krabbe 6/22

Jo Boehmer 6/23

Taylor Haag 6/27/02

ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS!!!

Gary & Joanne Seegers 6/22/74

Malcolm & Leah Anderberg 6/24/61

WE HEAR THE GOOD NEWS OF SALVATION

P The Spirit helps us in our weakness, and prays for us with sighs too deep for words. You are no longer in the flesh, you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. He who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit. There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. His peace be with you!

(Romans 8:1,9,11,26)

C And also with you.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

PRAYER OF THE DAY

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 20:7-13

⁷O Lord, you have deceived me, and I was deceived; you are stronger than I, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all the day; everyone mocks me. ⁸For whenever I speak, I cry out, I shout, "Violence and destruction!" For the word of the Lord has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. ⁹If I say, "I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name," there is in my heart as it were a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. ¹⁰For I hear many whispering. Terror is on every side! "Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" say all my close friends, watching for my fall. "Perhaps he will be deceived; then we can overcome him and take our revenge on him." ¹¹But the Lord is with me as a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble; they will not overcome me. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten. ¹²O Lord of hosts, who tests the righteous, who sees the heart and the mind, let me see your vengeance upon them, for to you have I committed my cause. ¹³Sing to the Lord; praise the Lord! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hand of evildoers.

L The Word of the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

Romans 6:12-23

¹²Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, to make you obey its passions. ¹³Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness. ¹⁴For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. ¹⁵What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! ¹⁶Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? ¹⁷But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed, ¹⁸and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. ¹⁹I am speaking in human

terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification. ²⁰For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. ²¹But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. ²²But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. ²³For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

L The Word of the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL

Matthew 10:24-31

²⁴ Jesus said: "A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. ²⁵It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household. ²⁶So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. ²⁷What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. ²⁸And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. ³⁰But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. ³¹Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows.

P The Gospel of the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.

SERMON: "RESIST (SOME) PASSIONS!" – 2nd Reading

STATEMENT OF FAITH – Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

OFFERING

WE PREPARE FOR HOLY COMMUNION

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts!

C We lift them up to the Lord!

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give him thanks and praise.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

THE BENEDICTION

P When Jesus instituted Holy Communion at the Last Supper before his crucifixion, He promised His disciples that one day they would again feast together in the kingdom of heaven.

C Dear Lord, keep us steadfast in faith until that day!

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

(Closing Hymn is on the next page.)

