

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Tuesday 8/4: Food Pantry set up, 9:30am; Distribution, 12-2pm.

Wednesday 8/5: Confirmation class, 10am.

Thursday 8/6: Food Truck Delivery, 8am.

Friday 8/7: First Friday Friends cancelled for the year.

Friday 8/7 & Saturday 8/8: Pastor & Bob Coyle will be attending a VIRTUAL NALC Convocation.

Saturday 8/8: In-Church Worship Service with blessing of school kits, 5:30pm.

Sunday 8/9: In-Church Worship Service with blessing of school kits, 9am.

Our church council has decided that masks will now be required on Sundays.

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS!!!

Sarah Faivre 8/1

Andy Rasmussen 8/3

Pat Kamm 8/6

Cathy Krabbe 8/7

Grant Nelson 8/7

Sue Peterson 8/7

ANNIVERSARIES!!!

Scott & Lori Schaben 8/3/13

Chuck & Donna Peterson 8/4/67

Tim & Dianna Wittwer 8/4/84

Carl & Nancy Rasmussen 8/5/78

Chris & Shannon Mitchell 8/5/06

Constant & Clarice Brisart 8/6/15

Ken & Karen Benson 8/6/77

Bob & Lisa Coyle 8/7/82

PARISH CONCERNS

- Connie Schauer recently had a lumpectomy. She is consulting further concerning ongoing treatment.
- Bishop Emeritus John Bradosky fell 18ft near a lake. He is home in Florida, wearing a neck brace, under the care of a neurosurgeon.
- Fred & Judy Goltermann are in their home in Belvidere recuperating.
- Nancy Bakanas has a torn rotator cuff and a stress fracture. She is awaiting more tests.
- All those who are not able to worship with us because they are in health care facilities or homebound especially Nancy Bakanas and George Vodden.
- 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.
- 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.
- Persecuted Christians throughout the world.
- The NALC Convocation, which will be meeting on-line August 7th & 8th.

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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: “Let Us Break Bread Together”

1. Let us break bread together on our knees; Let us break bread on our knees.

Refrain: When I fall on my knees, With my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

2. Let us drink wine together on our knees; Let us drink wine together on our knees. *Refrain*
3. Let us praise God together on our knees; Let us praise God together on our knees. *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)*

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.

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 SONG: “For the Fruit of All Creation”

1. For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God. For these gifts to ev’ry nation, thanks be to God. For the plowing, sowing, reaping, silent growth while we are sleeping, future needs in earth’s safe-keeping, thanks be to God.
2. In the just reward of labor, God’s will is done. In the help we give our neighbor, God’s will is done. In our world-wide task of caring for the hungry and despairing, in the harvests we are sharing, God’s will is done.
3. For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God. For the good we all inherit, thanks be to God. For the wonders that astound us, for the truths that still confound us, most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

P Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

C Thanks be to God!

SHARING OF THE PEACE
PRAYER OF THE DAY

First Reading: Isaiah 55:1-5

¹“Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. ²Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. ³Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live; and I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. ⁴Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. ⁵Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know, and a nation that did not know you shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, and of the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.”

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

Second Reading: Romans 9:1-5

¹I am speaking the truth in Christ — I am not lying; my conscience bears me witness in the Holy Spirit — ²that I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. ³For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, my kinsmen according to the flesh. ⁴They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises. ⁵To them belong the patriarchs, and from their race, according to the flesh, is the Christ, who is God over all, blessed forever. Amen.

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Gospel: Matthew 14:13-21

¹³When Jesus heard {of John the Baptist’s death}, he withdrew from there in a boat to a desolate place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick. ¹⁵Now when it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a desolate place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves.” ¹⁶But Jesus said, “They need not go away; you give them something to eat.” ¹⁷They said to him, “We have only five loaves here and two fish.” ¹⁸And he said, “Bring them here to me.” ¹⁹Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing. Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over.

²¹And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.
P The Gospel of the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.

SERMON: “HE KNOWS OUR NEEDS” - Gospel

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.



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