

*You reap
what you sow.*

Galatians 6:7



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WELCOME! We hope that this service will be a blessing to you. Please complete the black friendship register and pass it down your pew. Once it is complete, place it in the offering plate.



Today we celebrate the Lord's Supper. All who believe that Christ is present in this Sacrament are invited to share in His supper. The inner glasses on the tray are grape juice and water, the rest of the glasses are wine. Children who have not received Communion instruction should kneel at the altar with their arms crossed upon their chest to receive a Baptismal blessing.

LBW – green hymnal **WOV** – blue hymnal *Please stand as able.

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: “I Love Your Kingdom, Lord” vv.1, 3 &4

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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.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord of all power and might, you are the author and giver of all good things. Graft into our hearts a love of your name. Increase in us true faith, nourish us with what is good, and watch over all who are in your care. Grant this, we pray, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 66:10-14

¹⁰“Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her; ¹¹that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious abundance.” ¹²For thus says the Lord: “Behold, I will extend peace to her like a river, and the glory of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse, you shall be carried upon her hip, and bounced upon her knees. ¹³As one whom his mother comforts, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. ¹⁴You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bones shall flourish like the grass; and the hand of the Lord shall be known to his servants, and he shall show his indignation against his enemies.”

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

PSALM 66:1-7 (Read responsively by half verse)

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SECOND READING

Galatians 6:1-10, 14-18

¹Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. ²Bear one another’s burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. ³For if anyone thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. ⁴But let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor. ⁵For each will have to bear his own load. ⁶Let the one who is taught the word share all good things with the one who teaches. ⁷Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. ⁸For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. ⁹And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due

season we will reap, if we do not give up. ¹⁰So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.

¹⁴But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

¹⁵For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. ¹⁶And as for all who walk by this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God. ¹⁷From now on let no one cause me trouble, for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. ¹⁸The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers. Amen.

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

GOSPEL

Luke 10:1-20

¹After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to go. ²And he said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. ³Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of wolves. ⁴Carry no moneybag, no knapsack, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. ⁵Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace be to this house!' ⁶And if a son of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him. But if not, it will return to you. ⁷And remain in the same house, eating and drinking what they provide, for the laborer deserves his wages. Do not go from house to house. ⁸Whenever you enter a town and they receive you, eat what is set before you. ⁹Heal the sick in it and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' ¹⁰But whenever you enter a town and they do not receive you, go into its streets and say, ¹¹'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet we wipe off against you. Nevertheless know this, that the kingdom of God has come near.' ¹²I tell you, it will be more bearable on that day for Sodom than for that town. ¹³Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. ¹⁴But it will be more bearable in the judgment for Tyre and Sidon than for you. ¹⁵And you, Capernaum, will you be exalted to heaven? You shall be brought down to Hades. ¹⁶The one who hears you hears me, and the one who rejects you rejects me, and the one who rejects me rejects him who sent me." ¹⁷The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us

in your name!" ¹⁸And he said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. ¹⁹Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you. ²⁰Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven." **P** The Gospel of the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.

SERMON: "THE CALL AND NEED OF ALL"

SONG: "Shall We Gather at the River"

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STATEMENT OF FAITH – Nicene Creed

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THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Gracious God, we pray for your whole church on earth. By the power of your Spirit, empower her to boldly proclaim in both words and deeds that the word of truth is near.

Lord in your mercy ... hear our prayer.

God of the everlasting covenant, as we prepare to celebrate the date of this country's independence, keep us mindful of the glorious freedom that you have granted us through baptism into the death and resurrection of Christ. Let us not take for granted either our earthly or divine freedoms, but instead use them in service to our neighbors in living out your holy reign.

Lord, in your mercy ... hear our prayer.

Holy Trinity, guard and protect officers of the law, fire and rescue personnel, government officials and all public servants. Grant them tender compassion and strong wills dedicated to lives of service to all.

Lord, in your mercy ... hear our prayer.

Ever-present God, may all who are ill in body, mind, or spirit find comfort, hope, and healing in Christ's abiding presence. Through our actions of care and concern, may they experience the reality of your loving-kindness. [We pray particularly for ...].

Lord, in your mercy ... hear our prayer.

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

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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 SONG: "My Country, 'Tis of Thee"

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P Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

C Thanks be to God!

ALTAR FLOWERS and HYMN

The altar flowers are given by Kent Carlson's family and the hymn "Shall We Gather at the River" was a favorite hymn of his.

Kent passed away suddenly on October 8, 2021.

Kent grew up in Kirkland, where he was baptized and confirmed here at First Lutheran Church.



For many years he played the piano for the Sunday services. Since he lived so close to the church, he could hear the bells ringing indicating that the service was about to start. When the first bell rang he would make his run to the church so that by the time the last bell was rung he was on the piano bench ready to play.

Kent is survived by his wife of 63 years, Connie; children Christine (John) Lawrence of Guthrie, OK; Catherine (Edward) Martinez of Natalia, TX; Caroline (David) Pekarek of Annapolis, MD; and Paul Carlson of Guthrie, OK; four grandchildren Anissa, Ashley, Warren, Annabeth and two great grandchildren.

A private family service to celebrate Kent's life will be held at Maple Cemetery tomorrow.

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Attendance Last Saturday, 6/25: 12

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Attendance last Sunday, 6/26: 38

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS!!!

Joanne Seegers 7/5

Dennis Peterson 7/7

Phil Gronbach 7/7 (77yrs young)

Vongdeuane Sengone 7/10

ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS!!!

Chris & Ashley Boyer 7/2/11

“TRUE FREEDOM IN CHRIST”

Will be our theme for the 4th of July FLC float

Yahoo! The church will have a float in the 4th of July parade. Please pull out your patriotic clothing or even the tall red, white and blue hat that may be in the back of the closet.



Could you help with any of the following?

- Donate candy? Look for the “Parade candy box” to drop candy off.
- Ride/walk with the float of the 4th It’s not too late to ride/walk with the float. Plan to meet at Jo Boehmer’s by 9:45am on the 4th. Then all will ride to the float staging area at Pioneer Park.

If you couldn’t make it to the meeting last week, please talk with Dan or Janelle Pahnke about any other details.



Vacation Bible School

July 11-14, 2022

9:00 AM – 11:30 AM

Register by July 6 online or fill out the registration form which can be found on the VBS bulletin board.

There is a SNACK list sign-up on the VBS bulletin board. You may select as many items as you like. Please have them to the church by **July 10th**. Helpers are needed as well. There is a sign-up sheet for that as well. Please speak to Jo Boehmer if you have any questions.

Sunday 7/3: Join us in Fellowship Hall for coffee after the service!

Monday 7/4: Watch for our 4th of July float! It's not too late to ride/walk with the float. Plan to meet at Jo Boehmer's by 9:45am on the 4th. Then all will ride to the float staging area at Pioneer Park.

Tuesday 7/5: Food Pantry Set-up, 9:30am; distribution, 12-2pm.

Thursday 7/7: Food Truck Delivery, 8am.

Saturday 7/9: Worship Service, 5:30pm.

Sunday 7/10: Worship Service, 9am.

Monday 7/11– Thursday 7/14: VBS 9:00-11:30am

PARISH CONCERNS

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

- May God bless the United States, which has just celebrated the 244th anniversary of our independence as a nation. God bless America, our president, elected leaders, police officers, first responders, and military personnel, that they hear, and receive God's guidance and protection.
- Nancy Bakanas fell, hurting her knee and is now in the hospital.
- Jill Vodden had hip surgery on June 20th. She is well and staying with her sister for at least 2 weeks.
- Ben, Amy & Josiah Blobaum as they have moved and Ben begins his vicarage at Calvary Lutheran in Brookfield, Wi.
- Shelly Uhing, Chuck Huey's niece, who was hit by a car.
- Wanda Smith, Elda Bruning's sister, is having health problems.
- Jason Gorski, nephew of Dan & Janelle Pahnke and
- Chris, Gary Steinhorst's cousin are fighting cancer.
- Pray for pregnant women and the babies they are carrying, especially Jamie Wittwer, Laura Block Rachel Ash and Traci Yeaton.
- All those who are not able to worship with us because they are in health care facilities or homebound: Betty Paulsen, Ina Koehler, Nancy Bakanas, George Vodden and many others.
- All those who are suffering physical or mental illness, and their families, caregivers, and medical teams.
- Our church and its upcoming activities.
- All acts of violence that are happening around the world.
- Persecuted Christians throughout the world.
- The NALC, NALS, the Great Rivers Mission District, all Christian churches, and our partners in SC and PA.