

# Sunday, July 3, 2016

## Seventh Sunday after Pentecost



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### ***MISSION STATEMENT***

*We will LIVE and SERVE through FAITH*

*we will ACT with LOVE and KINDNESS*

*we will GIVE hope and SUPPORT to all.*

**Hearing Assistance is available during the service.**

**Please notify usher if you would like assistance**

*(Please turn off your cell phones)*

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### INTRODUCTION

*God is the source of our nourishment. Our Lord's invitation to "take and eat . . . take and drink" is a repeated one. In the holy eucharist, in the word read and proclaimed, in the assembly of the people of God, the dominion of God has come near. Rejoice! Your name is written in heaven.*

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**OPENING HYMN**                      **"O Beautiful for Spacious Skies"**                      **#888**  
**ELW**

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God, abounding in steadfast love toward us, healing the sick and raising the dead, showering us with every good gift.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Just and gracious God,  
**we come to you for healing and life. Our sins hurt others and diminish us; we confess them to you. Our lives bear the scars of sin; we bring these also to you. Show us your mercy, O God. Bind up our wounds, forgive us our sins, and free us to love, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior.**

**Amen.**

The apostle Paul assures us:

"When we were dead in our trespasses, God made us alive together with Christ, nailing the record of our sins to the cross." Jesus says to you, ✚ "Your sins are forgiven." Be at peace, and tell everyone how much God has done for you.

**Amen.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus, you are the city that shelters us, the mother who comforts us. With your Spirit accompany us on our life's journey, that we may spread your peace in all the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

## **Gospel: Luke 10:1-11, 16-20**

*Jesus commissions harvesters and laborers to go where he would go and do what he would do. Risking hardship and danger in exchange for the experience of great joy, they offer peace and healing as signs that the reign of God is near.*

<sup>1</sup>After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. <sup>2</sup>He said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. <sup>3</sup>Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. <sup>4</sup>Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. <sup>5</sup>Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace to this house!’ <sup>6</sup>And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. <sup>7</sup>Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. <sup>8</sup>Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; <sup>9</sup>cure the sick who are there, and say to them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’ <sup>10</sup>But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, <sup>11</sup>‘Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.’ □”

<sup>16</sup>“Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me.”

<sup>17</sup>The seventy returned with joy, saying, “Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!” <sup>18</sup>He said to them, “I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. <sup>19</sup>See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. <sup>20</sup>Nevertheless, do not

rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

**SERMON HYMN**                      **“I Love to Tell the Story”** (no intro)      **#661 ELW**

**SERMON**                                      **“Do You Trust Jesus?”**

### **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord.**

**Amen.**

### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*The prayers are prepared locally for each occasion. The following examples may be adapted or used as appropriate.*

Let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God’s creation.

*A brief silence.*

Gentle grower, send your church as laborers into your harvest. Make us joyful in sharing the good news of Jesus and make the harvest plentiful. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Creating God, bring about measured and healthy growth in fields and gardens through rain, wind, and sun. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Holy wisdom, you teach that we reap what we sow. Inspire leaders in our nation and throughout the world to sow the seeds of civility, peace, and goodwill. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Healer of all, we bring before you those in need of your healing presence. Do not be far off, but work your healing in the lives of all in need. We pray especially for . . . . Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Holy friend, you call us to bear one another’s burdens. Strengthen us in our commitment to the good of this congregation, our neighborhood, and our wider community. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

O God, you have called the saints your own. Gather us (*with the apostle Thomas*) into your kingdom, in the promise of life forever with you. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting your promise to hear us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

### **BLESSING**

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✝ give you peace.

**Amen.**

### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Proclaim the good news.

**Thanks be to God.**

**CLOSING HYMN: "Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory" #890**  
**ELW**

**Great to have you join us for worship! Please come again.**

### **THOSE SERVING THIS WEEK**

Music: Digital Hymnal  
Greeters: Maynard & Kathy Berland  
Ushers: 8:30-Wayne & Janice Olson

***Thank you for your service!***

## Response to God's Word Last Week

Attendance: June 26, 2016: 8:30am 88 10:00pm 21

## THIS WEEK AT BETHESDA

July 4 – July

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Monday	7/4	HAPPY 4 <sup>TH</sup> OF JULY!	
		10:30 am	Glen 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Parade
		1:00 pm	Double Deck Pinochle
		7:00 pm	AA/Alanon
Tuesday	7/5	7:30-10:00	Pastor Text Study
		9:00 am	Crafters
		1:00 pm	Bridge
Wednesday	7/6	8:30 am	Bible Study
		9:30am	Stitchers
		6:00 pm	Choir Practice
		7:00 pm	Praise Team
Thursday	7/7	8:00 am	Romeos
		10:30 am	W&M meeting
		12:30 pm	Fun Timers
		6:00 pm	Bell Choir Practice
Friday	7/8	10:00am	Bones
Saturday	7/9	8:00 am	Veggie Stand
Sunday	7/10	8:30 am	Worship
		10:00 am	Worship

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**ATTENDANCE REGISTRY** Please sign and pass the attendance registry which you will find in the pew.

**FOOT CLINIC** our next Foot Care Clinic will be held on Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2016. Call the church office to make an appointment: 320-684-2123 (M-F 11:00am – 3:00pm).

**GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP INFORMATION** A Grief Support Group is beginning on Tuesday, July 12 at 6:15pm in the Wahkon Presbyterian Church at 240 First Street in Wahkon. The group is open to men and women who have lost a spouse, a child, a parent or other significant persons in their lives. For more information, call Pat Hicks at 320-495-3944. The frequency and exact time of future group meetings will be determined by the group attendees.

**HOPE LODGE** Just a reminder, we are still collecting for Hope Lodge. Some items needed are toilet paper, Kleenex, travel mugs, stamps, and travel size conditioner. A more complete list is on the WELCA bulletin board. The bin for collecting items is located in the Fellowship Hall.

**BRIDGE** Anyone interested in learning how to play Bridge can join Mary Nitti at Bethesda Church on Tuesdays at 1:00pm starting June 14<sup>th</sup>. Free of charge.

**VEGGIE STAND** The Veggie Stand was opened as usual on July 2nd. Mary Vukelich, Emily and Will very graciously volunteered to staff the stand at least during the month of July. Of course any extra help will be appreciated. So keep those donations of baked goods and veggies coming and help them have a profitable and fun experience. Many thanks to our Bethesda family.

**COFFEE SERVERS NEEDED** Please check the hospitality host chart for coffee fellowship. If you can help out in this way, please find a partner and sign up. Thanks.

**Did someone borrow the DOUBLE TENT?** It was in a carry bag with WELCA written on it. Please return it to the garage if you have it.



**GLEN 4<sup>th</sup> OF JULY PARADE** Everyone is invited to join in a bit of Americana.  
Monday, July 4, 2016. Parade starts at 10:30am.





**FOURTH OF JULY**

*Parade*



**5K RUN or WALK**  
8:00 a.m.  
North side of lake, east around  
lake to Glen Store

See Glen Store for details and registration.  
(320) 684-2229



in *Glen*

**Parade Line up at 10:00 a.m. on the north  
side of Clear Lake at the Slettom Farm.**

**Ends at the Glen Store corner.**

No assigned spots – just show up and fall in line.  
This is the parade for families and friends to create a float  
and do hoorahs for America.



**Free Lemonade**

before the parade in Glen.  
Bring a lawn chair – enjoy the celebration!

**FREE PARKING** near Glen.  
Watch for signs and traffic directors.

