

BULLETIN AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST/GARDEN SERVICE JULY 26, 2020

SERVICE ORDER

Opening Music: Down to the River to Pray/Lord, Listen to your Children Praying

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer of the Day: Beloved and sovereign God, through the death and resurrection of your Son you bring us into your kingdom of justice and mercy. By your Spirit, give us your wisdom, that we may treasure the life that comes from Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Lesson: Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

31 He put before them another parable: ‘The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; ³²it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.’

33 He told them another parable: ‘The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.’

44 ‘The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

45 ‘Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; ⁴⁶on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

47 ‘Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; ⁴⁸when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. ⁴⁹So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous ⁵⁰and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

51 ‘Have you understood all this?’ They answered, ‘Yes.’ ⁵²And he said to them, ‘Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.’

Sermon

Sermon hymn: “Seek Ye First”

Prayer : Holy God, open our eyes to see Your kingdom among us and open our souls to participate in making Your kingdom a reality. We ask that you would bless the public servants of government in our community, state, and nation, that they may do their work in a spirit of wisdom, charity, and justice. May all who wield authority use it to serve faithfully and promote the common good. As we struggle with the pandemic, racial injustice, economic adversity, and all manner of concerns, we call to mind before you all whom it is easy to forget: those who are homeless, destitute, sick, isolated, and all who have no one to care for them. May we bring help

and healing to those who are broken in body or spirit, that they may have comfort in sorrow, company in loneliness, and a place of safety and warmth. We pray this in Your holy name. Amen.

Benediction

Closing Music: "How Great Thou Art"

WORSHIP LEADERS

Pastor Susan Berge

Church Musician: Carol Carlson

Lector: Nancy Ojard

Videographer: Scott Shelerud

ANNOUNCEMENTS

KNIFE RIVER PRAYER LIST:

In need of healing: Veronica Persons, Susan Anderson, Elsa Keeler, Becca Kuechle, Les Bolen, Fred Wright, Reid Carson, Kayla Davidson, Archie Moore, Pastor John Reppe, Gary Swanson, Faith Swanson, Seth Goodnature, Pat Hovis, Sarah Monaghan, Emily Coolidge, Melyssa Bloom, DeWayne and Maurine Rubedor

Special circumstances: Jacques Basson (Anne Lu's brother, who is working with Covid-19 patients in Dubai.)

Serving in military abroad: Austin Morreau

Long Term Concerns: Sue Sigel, Laurie Jackson, David Pierce, Jan Moon, Pat Hanson, Pat Levenske, Dani Mattson, Lyle Northey, Leif Zmolek, Kane Bolen, Aspen Winbigler, Deb Allert, Peggy B., Corine Sutherland

SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

Sunday, July 26-Online Garden service worship

7:00 PM-Smart Team meets online

Newsletter deadline for August issue! Get your articles to Kay Struve!

Tuesday, July 28-9:00 AM Online Lectio Divina/Dig Deeper

Wednesday, July 29-Midweek devotions and announcements sent out

Sunday, August 2-Council meets at 10:30 AM.

2:30 PM-Bells rehearse

THANKS TO MICHAEL DENT!

Heartfelt expressions of gratitude are due to Michael Dent who has been our dedicated and hard-working treasurer these last five years. He has decided it's time to step back from that position and take a well deserved respite. Michael made every effort to present clear, accurate, transparent financial reports for us and to stabilize our recording systems and financial transactions. He will be greatly missed as treasurer, but we are so very thankful for all he accomplished! His willingness to assist as needed during the time of transition to a new treasurer is also a real gift to our congregation. Since we can't meet in person to have a typical Sunday morning Coffee-time or Brunch occasion to say "thank you" in person, please let him know via cards, calls, or emails how much his work has been appreciated!

CHRIST IN OUR HOME: July-Sept copies are available. Email Melanie your mailing address and whether you prefer regular print or large print!

OFFERINGS

Please check the church newsletter for a financial update, and remember the importance of supporting the church through your mailed in offerings! P.O. Box 218, Knife River, MN 55609

WHO ARE WE MISSING?

We are attempting to cast our net wide in sending out these emails, along with postings on Facebook and our church website. Additionally, we are sending snail mail copies to those who are without online resources. If you know of someone we are missing, please let us know, so we may include them too!

MASK MESSAGE FROM JOANIE LEE We continue to make masks, and realize that masks wear out from wearing and washing. Please don't hesitate to ask for replacements. We have plenty. Contact at joanielee14@gmail.com.

KNIFE RIVER LUTHERAN CHURCH . . .

Vacation Bible School Experience (VBX 2020)

Theme: He's Got the Whole World In His Hands



Greetings Parents, Grandparents, Aunts, Uncles and friends of VBXers:

With the success of our virtual worship services, we have decided to have a FLEXIBLE virtual VBX 2020 summer experience for interested youth . . .

SAVE THE DATES: August 3 through August 13

- Ages 3 through 11. All youth are invited . . . send to interested parents
- We anticipate 4 activities . . . to be completed in any order, during the 10 day span. Focus is on flexibility
- We will also encourage a one-time offering to support God's Barnyard, our youth program's designated mission project.
- As a special surprise, Knife River Candy Store has agreed to partner with us by having a candy treat bag for all participants at the conclusion of VBX. Does it get any better??

Details will be available by August 3 on Facebook, KRLC website, and/or member email. You will also hear more about it in the weekly church bulletins. Stay tuned!!

Stay safe and have fun!!

