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FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 3, 2022

PRESERVICE MUSIC WHILE WE PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREET ONE ANOTHER WITH GOD'S PEACE

OPENING HYMN "God Bless Our Native Land" LSB 965

INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

P: I will praise the LORD at all times.

C: I will constantly speak his praises.

P: I will boast only in the LORD;

C: Let all who are helpless take heart.

P: Come, let us tell of the LORD's greatness;

C: Let us exalt his name together.

P: Taste and see that the LORD is good.

C: Oh, the joys of those who take refuge in him!

Psalms 34:1-3, 8

GENERAL CONFESSIO

P: We learn from the book of Judges, that back in the days when there was no king in Israel, everyone did what was right in their own eyes.

C: The people of Israel did what was evil in God's sight.

P: And the Lord gave them into the hands of their enemies.

C: Sin does this; it robs us of the joy of our salvation and of the courage and energy to do the good things we want to do. Sin destroys and separates us from God.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination

P: Heavenly Father, although we have often treated prayer as a last resort, instead of our first resource, in Your mercy, we ask that You hear our cry for help.

C: We confess to You that we have sinned and done what is evil in Your sight.

P: We have sought to do what is right in our own eyes, and not Your own.

C: For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us, and forgive us our sins. And help us, most merciful God, to believe Your promises, to seek Your will, and act in the courage You alone give.

THE ABSOLUTION

P: Brothers and sisters in Christ, in the same way the Lord fought for Gideon, so He also fights for you against seemingly insurmountable odds. He overcame your greatest enemy in the most improbable way: the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross. God loves you and sets you free from sin through Jesus, whose blood paid the price to set you and me free from sin and eternal judgment. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Almighty God, Lord of hosts, encourage us with the assurance that You are with us always.

C: And that with You at our side, we never need to fear.

PSALM 19:2, 4-6

P: The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork.

C: Day to day pours out speech, and night to night reveals knowledge.

P: Their measuring line goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them he has set a tent for the sun,

C: which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his chamber, and, like a strong man, runs its course with joy.

P: Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them, and there is nothing hidden from its heat.

C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

KYRIE

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: ♪ Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C: ♪ Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C: ♪ Lord, have mercy.

P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C: ♪ Lord, have mercy.

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: ♪ Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE "This Is the Feast" (p. 155)

COLLECT (PRAYER) OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Judges 7:1-8

ALLELUIA VERSE (p. 156 in the front of the hymnal)

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 10:1-20

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the tenth chapter.

C: GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.

(after the reading . . .)

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY "Eternal Father, Strong to Save" LSB 717

SERMON "Facing Overwhelming Odds" Based on Judges 7:1-8

CONFESSION OF FAITH "Nicene Creed" (p. 158)

OFFERING

OFFERTORY "What Shall I Render to the Lord" (p. 159)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: O Lord of the harvest, at Your Son's instruction we pray that You would continue to send laborers into Your vineyard, that the plentiful harvest may be gathered into the peace of Your kingdom. Lord, in Your mercy,
(following each petition the congregation responds)

C: HEAR OUR PRAYER.

(Our petitions this day.)

P: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: AMEN.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Preface (p. 160 in the front of the hymnal)

Sanctus

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord's Prayer

The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini – "The Peace of the Lord" (p. 163)

Agnus Dei – "Lamb of God"

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"What Is This Bread" LSB 629

"For the Fruits of His Creation" LSB 894

"My Soul, Now Praise Your Maker" LSB 820

"Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart" LSB 806

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE "Thank the Lord" (p. 164)

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

C: AMEN

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven" LSB 793

POSTLUDE

OFFICIANT: Rev. Jonathan Vierkant

ORGANIST: Joshua Hua

LAY READER: Karen Gnatzig

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW

Monday, July 4	-	OFFICE CLOSED
Saturday, July 9	-	9:00 a.m. Food & Fellowship Brat Fry @ Sausage Plus
Sunday, July 10	-	7:45 a.m. Bible Class
	-	9:00 a.m. Worship Brat Fry @ Sausage Plus

ANNOUNCEMENTS

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK: July 3 – July 9

BIRTHDAYS: Brian Brusky, Glenn Grothman, Hannah Betz,
Todd Waechter, Michelle Gnatzig, Sue Hale

BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES: Glenn Grothman, Joshua Kraft

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES: David & Laurie Kelln

CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR: Robert Oelke (son of Lee and Sharon Oelke), Ruby Gutschmidt (grandmother of Joseph Gutschmidt),

SERVING IN THE MILITARY: Garrett Buth, William Bowman (brother of Katie Vierkant), Jared Barnard (nephew of Paul and Cindy Heinz, cousin of Aaron)

WELCOME VISITORS! We are glad you chose to worship with us. Sign our Guest Book in the Narthex or one of the cards in the pews and please talk to Pastor, an Usher or Elder if you have any questions.

DIFFERENT CHURCHES HAVE DIFFERENT UNDERSTANDINGS regarding Holy Communion. For this reason, because of what 1 Corinthians 11:27-30 tells us, we ask that visitors talk to Pastor if they wish to commune with us. **ALSO**, see the back of the communion cards for a statement by Synod.

WE HAVE A PRAYER CHAIN AT ST. ANDREW. Please contact Josie Pfeiffer at 262-626-4303 or pfeiffer4303@charter.net

ELDER SERVING TODAY: Rick Bruss & Bob Buehler
NEXT SUNDAY: Thai Hua & Randy Sheffield

CLEANED THIS WEEK ENDING 7/2/2022 Stephanie Gutschmidt, Randy & Kris Sheffield, Cathy Grande **COMING WEEK:** Rory & Sue Hetzel, Pam Beaupre, Paul & Cindy Heinz

ALTAR GUILD FOR July: Doreen Betz, Sue Harrison, Judi Riedel, Joanne Miller

Please contact Pastor Jon (262)808-7974 if you or a loved one is in the hospital, celebrating a milestone, or would just like a visit.

PRAYER TIME We are planning to meet each week this summer following the worship service for a brief time of prayer to pray for our church, our congregation members, our community, our world, and each other. We will meet in the Sunday school classroom area around 10:20--please come when you are able!

Moms'/Ladies Bible study is continuing this summer on Wednesdays as a book discussion group! We will be discussing the book *Mama Bear Apologetics*, which teaches Biblical discernment and critical thinking in the face of changing cultural attitudes, and also discusses how to teach those skills to our children. A schedule of future meeting dates will be posted on the bulletin board. Children are welcome to come! Please see Katie Vierkant if you have any questions.

Bible Study in the Park: Tuesdays at 10 a.m., Sisters in Christ will be leading a bible study called "Under His Wings" at Ridge Run Park (enter off of University Dr.). Meet near the playground by the pond. All are welcome!

BRAT FRY Our annual Brat Fry for Education Assistance is happening July 9-10 at West Bend Sausage Plus. There are sign-up sheets on the bulletin board for volunteering time slots and donations of food items. This is our biggest event because we have so many generous members! We hope to see you that weekend for food and time of fellowship.

VBS Come join us on the River of Life! Vacation Bible School will be held Tuesday, August 2-Thursday, August 4 from 5:45-7:45 p.m. An optional dinner will be served at 5. Attendees can register on the church website--friends are welcome! We will also need volunteers to help lead groups and run stations--please sign up on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall! Please see Katie Vierkant if you have any questions.

For those receiving communion who have gluten free requirements, we have **reduced gluten communion wafers**. If you desire to receive one during communion, please identify yourself before the service to the Elder for that service so we can distribute one to you.

SHHHH. . . THERE IS A "QUIET ROOM" AT ST. ANDREW in the back of the Sanctuary. It has a sound system and the service can be heard in that room. Please be considerate of the worshipful attitude of others and use it as necessary. It is there for your comfort and convenience.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Judges 7:1-8

Then Jerubbaal (that is, Gideon) and all the people who were with him rose early and encamped beside the spring of Harod. And the camp of Midian was north of them, by the hill of Moreh, in the valley.

The Lord said to Gideon, "The people with you are too many for me to give the Midianites into their hand, lest Israel boast over me, saying, 'My own hand has saved me.' Now therefore proclaim in the ears of the people, saying, 'Whoever is fearful and trembling, let him return home and hurry away from Mount Gilead.'" Then 22,000 of the people returned, and 10,000 remained.

And the Lord said to Gideon, "The people are still too many. Take them down to the water, and I will test them for you there, and anyone of whom I say to you, 'This one shall go with you,' shall go with you, and anyone of whom I say to you, 'This one shall not go with you,' shall not go." So he brought the people down to the water. And the Lord said to Gideon, "Every one who laps the water with his tongue, as a dog laps, you shall set by himself. Likewise, every one who kneels down to drink." And the number of those who lapped, putting their hands to their mouths, was 300 men, but all the rest of the people knelt down to drink water. And the Lord said to Gideon, "With the 300 men who lapped I will save you and give the Midianites into your hand, and let all the others go every man to his home." So the people took provisions in their hands, and their trumpets. And he sent all the rest of Israel every man to his tent, but retained the 300 men. And the camp of Midian was below him in the valley.

GOSPEL READING

Luke 10:1-20

After 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. And 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. Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of wolves. Carry no moneybag, no knapsack, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace be to this house!' And if a son of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him. But if not, it will return to you. And remain in the same house, eating and drinking what they provide, for the laborer deserves his wages. Do not go from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and they

receive you, eat what is set before you. Heal the sick in it and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' But whenever you enter a town and they do not receive you, go into its streets and say, '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.' I tell you, it will be more bearable on that day for Sodom than for that town.

"Woe 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. But it will be more bearable in the judgment for Tyre and Sidon than for you. And you, Capernaum, will you be exalted to heaven? You shall be brought down to Hades.

"The 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."

The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!" And he said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."