# GREAT IS THE LORD and MOST WORTHY OF PRAISE

1 Chronicles 16:25 (NIV)

American Lutheran Church (LCMC)

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#### SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

+ Please stand as you are able.

Prelude "His Mercy Is More"

We prepare for worship.

Welcome and the Sharing of God's Peace

+ Confession and Forgiveness

PASTOR: LORD God, we have seen that we can't fully predict the results of our actions. When we do wrong, good can sometimes happen. The same is true when we do right – there may be negative consequences.

# ALL: Even when we do something small, something seemingly insignificant, it can grow. Like a snowball rolling down a wintery hill, it can increase even into an avalanche.

PASTOR: But inviting us into Your story can help with these disastrous circumstances. O LORD, when You came to us as Jesus Christ, You chose a sacrifice that frees us from eternal consequences. **ALL: Your suffering and death miraculously provide forgiveness for our failures, and Your return to life gives us Heaven itself!** PASTOR: God has given you new lives, unending lives that will continue in His everlasting Paradise. Until we join Him there, we live for Him and by Him. That is why we worship today!

Prayer of the Day

ALL: Loving God, here I am to worship Here I am to bow down; here I am to say that You're my God You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy Altogether wonderful to me! Amen.

J Opening Song "Here I Am To Worship"

First Reading

2 Samuel 11:1-5

Psalm 25:1-2, 4, 6-7a

READER: 1 King David wrote this poem:

O LORD, I give my life to you.

- ALL: 2 I trust in You, my God! Don't let me be disgraced, or let my enemies rejoice in my failure.
- READER: 4 Show me the right path, O LORD; point out the road for me to follow.
- ALL: 6 Show me Your compassion, O LORD! Don't forget Your unfailing love, the love You have always shown me.
- READER: 7a Don't remember the rebellious sins of my youth. But show me Your mercy, O LORD.

Second Reading

Romans 6:20-23

+ The Gospel, God's Good News

Mark 8:34-38

The Nicene Creed

ALL: 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 spoke through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian 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.

Children's Sermon

Sermon "The Butterfly Effect"

Our Offering of Worship "What A Beautiful Name" "There's Something About That Name"

Prayers of the People PASTOR: LORD, in Your mercy... ALL: ...hear our prayer.

♫ The Lord's Prayer

ALL: Our Father, which art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever! Amen.

Benediction

A word of blessing.

Closing "Raise A Hallelujah"

Postlude

We depart in peace, ready to serve the LORD!

#### The Mission Statement of American Lutheran Church

Led by the Holy Spirit and strengthened by the Gospel of Jesus Christ, we seek to make the Kingdom of God real and present in our world through ongoing worship, witness, and service. \*\*\*\*\*

## **WELCOME TO WORSHIP!**

**Visitors are welcome to sign our guest book** in the narthex gathering area. If you are looking for a church home, please contact Pastor Ethan or talk to one of the ushers about our American Lutheran Church family!

**Our current prayer list includes** Deb Adamek, Marlys Arenson, Olivia Beekman, Lee Fearing, John Hasse, Seth Hibbs, Rich Hillman, Kay Larson, Lyle Lubbers, Blanche Tirk, Teresa Wiegers, the family of Joshua Holman, and the family of Laurie Poegel.

**Today's KEYL Radio Broadcast** of our worship service is sponsored by the Rachs and the Marcyes in memory of Tom Orr. Thank you for ensuring God's Word can reach people over the airwaves!

If you would like to sponsor a broadcast, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex. The cost is \$75. Thank you!

**Please consider** signing up to serve as an usher or greeter. Sign-up sheets are on the wall in the back of the sanctuary. See Mark and Teresa Pachan, Head Ushers, with any questions.

#### Bible Readings for Next Week: July 18, 2021

2 Samuel 18:1-2, 5, 9, 14-15, 33 Psalm 37:7-11 Sermon Title: "Grudge Match" Ephesians 4:30-32 Matthew 5:21-24

#### **Worship Leaders**

Pastor: Ethan Fearing Altar Guild: Betty Oliver Deacon: Jon Fevig Music: Worship Team Acolyte: Madison Browen

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Reminder for next Esther Circle meeting Wednesday, July 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m.** We are following the bible study "Living With Jesus" from Women of Faith. Books are available.

The Sarah Circle July meeting has been rescheduled to Monday, July 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

**Todd County Fair Reminder:** It's time to look at the donation board and sign-up board to show your support for our youth missions! There are many ways to help our American Lutheran Church Fair Stand and we appreciate all you do!

Save the date! Vacation Bible School will be Sunday, July  $18^{th}$  through Thursday, July  $22^{nd}$  from 5:00 pm – 7:30 pm for ages 4 through entering  $6^{th}$  grade. Supper will be served.

**Lions of Minnesota** are collecting old eyeglasses, hearing aids, and sunglasses. There is a collection box in the narthex on the coat rack by the parking lot entrance.

## **CHURCH OUTREACH**

**Missionaries:** Dan and Nancy Butkowski; Dwight and Dorothy Hazard; Chris Mikkelson.

**Prayer Partners** is our confidential chain of prayer. To request a prayer, send an e-mail to prayer@americanlutheranchurch.org. If you would like your name added or removed from the Prayer Partners' e-mail list, contact Patty Ostendorf or Becky Hillig.

**Our Mission Focus for July is Place of Hope in St. Cloud.** The Place of Hope Ministries in St. Cloud is a Residential Program which ministers to

those with chronic addiction and despair by providing a place to rebuild, restore, and repair the broken places in their lives. It is a Christ-centered multi-faceted ministry for those who are struggling with poverty, hunger, homelessness, chemical or other life-controlling addictions. When participants graduate from the six-month, residential program, they have normally gained victory over the root causes of the life problems that brought them to POHM. They have *attained inter-dependent self-sufficiency* and are in a position to begin giving back to their families and communities.

#### Weekly Report:

Worship Attendance for last week: 76 General Fund receipts for last week: \$5,617.00 General Fund budgeted weekly needs: \$4,617.37 General Fund Year to Date (YTD) as of 5/31/21: Budgeted needs: \$101,793.08 Receipts: \$87,872.61 Actual expenses: \$82,373.17

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# YOUTH & FAMILY

July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021

SAVE THE DATE July 15-18<sup>th</sup>: Todd County Fair Stand July 18-22<sup>nd</sup>: Vacation Bible School-Concrete & Cranes! August 8-13<sup>th</sup>: Youth Mission Trip August 25<sup>th</sup>: Church Night at the Drive In



Join the Fun at VBS 2021! July 18-22 | 5:00-7:30pm Ages 4 years - 6<sup>th</sup> grade

Supper at 5:00 provided to registrants and their families! Program runs from 5:30-7:30

Register at <u>www.vbsmate.com/alclp</u>

Mark your calendars!

Our annual church night at the drive in has been set for

AUGUST 25<sup>th</sup> at 7pm

More details to come, but plan to join us for this fun night of fellowship, games, and worship!

#### Youth Worship Team

Happening on Mondays at 1:00pm

Come and join us for singing, playing, and enjoying the art of worship through music!

How's life? Want to talk about it? Feel free to contact me. Kari Christians (320)533-3021 karichristians@yahoo.com Long Prairie Area Churches Present

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1-3:30

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1st-6th Grade

July 14th, July 28th, and August 11th

camp

# At Harmony Park

Games, Music, Crafts, Snacks, Bible Lessons, and MORE! MORE INFO @



# **Fair Stand Positions**

# In Back

**<u>Griller:</u>** responsible for grilling burgers/cheeseburgers; frying onions; warming up bacon (it will be baked ahead of time this year) and putting together burger orders as needed by basket prep person

**<u>Fryer</u>**: responsible for making french fries, onion rings, and chicken strips for orders needed by basket prep person

**Basket Prep:** responsible for putting orders together from Order Forms; must be able to shout out what is needed to workers from Order Form; must be organized to put several orders together at 1 time; take care of pickle preference; FYI: kids menu was eliminated to streamline the orders

**Extra Kitchen Helper/Fair Stand Committee Member**: responsible for hot dogs; chicken salads; watch for refills being needed: frozen hamburger patties; cheese plate; bacon plate; pickles; buns; onions

**Safety:** Wash hands before shift; don't touch face/mouth with hands while working; wipe off sweat with paper towel/wash hands; wear gloves if prepping food; take off apron during breaks

**<u>Clothing</u>**: wear T-shirt/not tank top; appropriate length shorts; closed toe shoes; keep hair back

# Fair Stand Positions

# In Front

<u>Adult Server:</u> Connect with Adult Server from last shift to see if any items are sold out and whose orders haven't been taken yet; connect with servers on your shift; assign each a section; review Order Form with them; make sure they sign up with Cashier for free meal; give servers breaks as needed; watch items on Duty List; assign to server when not busy

**Servers**: Check in with Adult Server on shift for section assignment; sign in with cashier for free meal; let Adult Server know if you need a break; finish serving any orders taken at shift change; watch items on Duty List during any slow or down times

**Duties to Cover in Front**: Keep ketchup, mustard, salt, pepper, Ranch/French dressing filled; organize pop cooler; keep countertops clean and organized; make iced tea and lemonade when needed

**Safety:** Wash hands before shift; don't touch face/mouth with hands while working; wipe off sweat with paper towel/wash hands; wear gloves if prepping food; take off apron during breaks

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#### Weekly Schedule at American Lutheran Church

| Sun. Jul. 11 <sup>th</sup>   | <ul><li>9:00 am Worship Service</li><li>7:00 pm Bible Readers Meeting</li></ul>  |
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| Mon. Jul. 12 <sup>th</sup>   | <ul> <li>9:00 am Staff Meeting</li> <li>1:00 pm Youth Worship Team Practice</li> <li>5:00 pm Youth &amp; Family Committee Meeting</li> <li>7:00 pm Sarah Circle Bible Study</li> </ul>                 |
| Wed. Jul. 14 <sup>th</sup>   | <ul> <li>9:30 am Esther Circle</li> <li>1:00 pm – 3:30 pm Long Prairie Kids Camp</li> <li>5:00 pm Worship Team Practice</li> <li>6:00 pm Worship Service</li> <li>6:45 pm Adult Bible Study</li> </ul> |
| Thu. Jul. 15 <sup>th</sup>   | <b>Todd County Fair Food Stand</b><br>6:00 pm Board Game Night   |
| Fri. Jul. 16 <sup>th</sup> & | Sat. Jul. 17 <sup>th</sup> Todd County Fair Food Stand   |
| Sun. Jul. 18 <sup>th</sup>   | <b>Todd County Fair Food Stand</b><br><b>9:00 am Worship Service with Communion</b><br><b>11:30 am</b> Missions Committee Meeting  |

5:00 pm Vacation Bible School

Sunday worship services are radio broadcast on KEYL 1400 AM and 103.1 FM, live-streamed on Facebook, and posted with video recordings of services later on website.