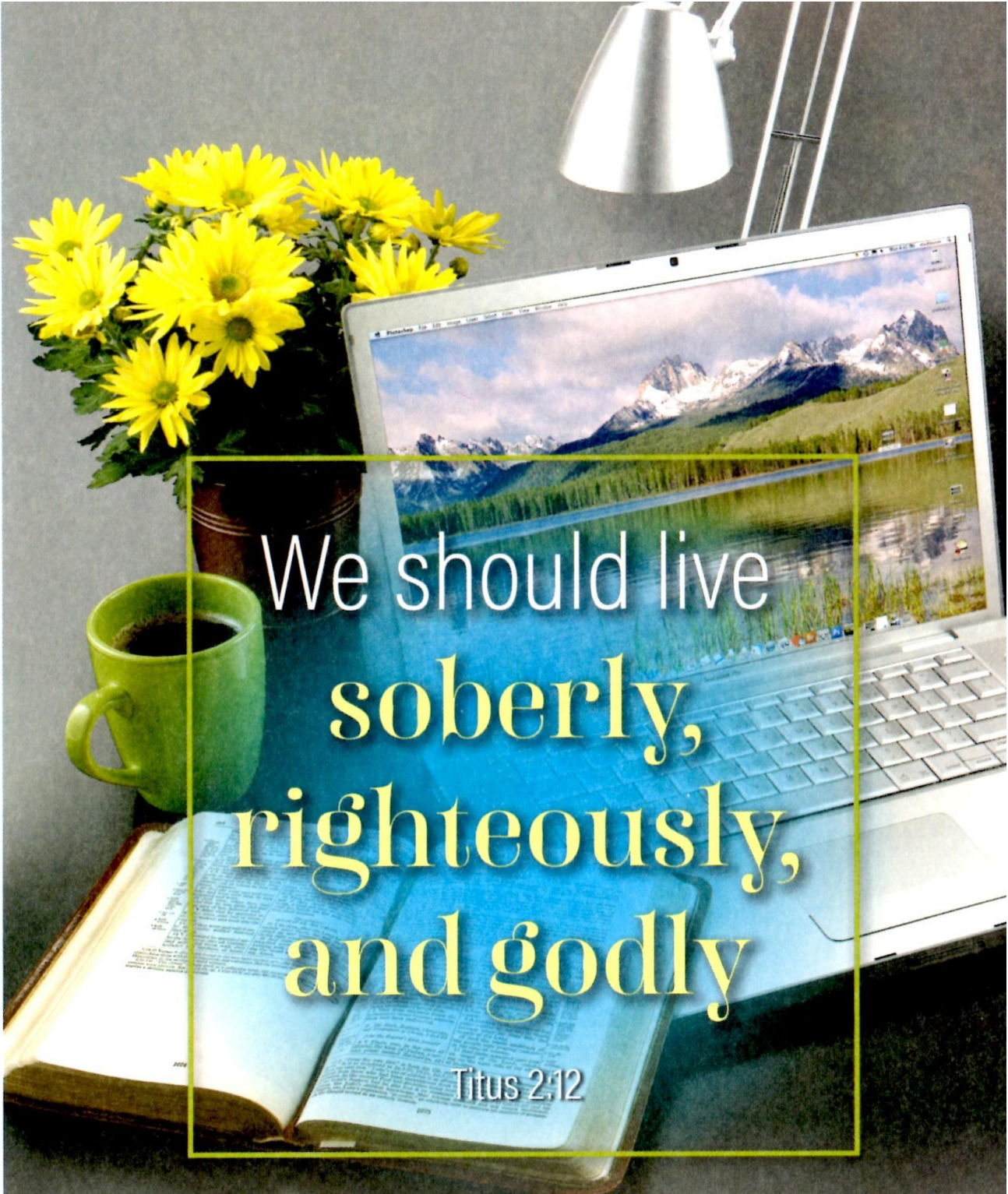


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We should live
soberly,
righteously,
and godly

Titus 2:12

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✦ Please stand as you are able.

♪ Welcoming Song

We prepare our hearts for worship.

Greetings and the Sharing of God's Peace

✦ Confession and Forgiveness

PASTOR: LORD God, we are restless!

ALL: Who can wait for the Paradise of Heaven? We wake up every morning to more pain and suffering, to violence and injustice. When will it end?

PASTOR: You know the day, O LORD. You know, and that is why You offer us a never-ending life after this broken one. You give us hope for a better tomorrow.

ALL: But we are impatient! Forgive us, giving us the strength to endure and do the most good with our lives here and now.

PASTOR: God does forgive You. Though it might seem like we are waiting for Him, the LORD came once and for all as Jesus Christ. He came to save us from our brokenness, especially the sins that would lead to our deaths. On the cross, God died in our place, but rose again three days later to promise you an eternal life in His heavenly Kingdom. And until we join Him there, the LORD sends His Spirit to give us patience, peace, and the strength to endure. That is why we worship Him today!

Prayer of the Day

ALL: Loving God, help me to lean on You. When I do not understand, when all seems lost, and when I have failed, continue to show me where to go, what to do, and when to rest in Your perfect love. Amen.

♪ Opening Song "Come, You Thankful People, Come"

#407 LBW

Psalm 37:7-11

READER: ⁷ Be still in the presence of the LORD,
and wait patiently for Him to act.

**ALL: Don't worry about evil people who prosper
or worry about their wicked schemes.**

READER: ⁸ And stop being so angry!
Turn away from your rage.

**ALL: Don't lose your temper –
it only leads to harm.**

READER: ⁹ After all, we know the wicked will be destroyed,
but those who trust in the LORD will possess the land.

ALL: ¹⁰ Soon the wicked will disappear.

When you look for them, they will be gone!

READER: ¹¹ Then the lowly will possess the land
and will live in peace and prosperity.

Second Reading

✦ The Gospel, God's Good News

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 "Patience"

♪ Our Offering of Worship "Now Thank We All Our God" #533 LBW

The Words of Institution

♪ Communion Hymns

"Beautiful Savior" #518 LBW

"Praise and Thanksgiving" #409 LBW

Prayers of the People

PASTOR: LORD, in Your mercy...

ALL: ...hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

ALL: Our Father, who 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever! Amen.

Benediction

A word of blessing.

♪ Closing Song "Soon and Very Soon"

#744 WOV

Sending Song

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!

Today's KEYL Radio Broadcast of our worship service is sponsored by Karl & Beth Arenson in honor of their wedding anniversary. 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!

Bible Readings for Next Week: June 23, 2024

Proverbs 15:8

James 5:13-18

Psalms 18:1-19

Matthew 6:7-13

Sermon Title: "Prayer"

Worship Leaders

Pastor: Ethan Fearing

Pianist: Alyssa Fearing

Altar Guild: Betty Oliver

Acolyte: Austin Parker

Deacon: Blanche Tirk

Reader: Steph Wehrenberg



A wooden pier extends from the foreground into a misty lake. At the end of the pier stands a simple wooden cross. The sky is a mix of soft pinks, oranges, and blues, suggesting a sunrise or sunset. The water is calm and reflects the light from the sky. The overall mood is peaceful and spiritual.

Live music, an honest message, and good fellowship!
BRING A CHAIR & WE'LL SEE YOU THERE

All are welcome for

LAKE SIDE WORSHIP

July 14, 2024 • 9:00 a.m. • Charlotte Lake
S'mores buffet and fellowship to follow!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Many of the Bibles which have been in our pews for decades are in very sad condition. The Deacons have made the decision to dispose of/replace the worst ones. If you remember in the past donating a Bible in memory of someone special to you & would like to keep it for sentimental reasons, you are invited to go through them & take it as family memorabilia!

THE FAIR IS COMING! The Todd County Fair will be June 27 - 30, 2024. There are sign-up sheets on the easel in the narthex for food stand volunteers and donations.

The ALCW will be having a 5-minute meeting on July 7th to vote on an item.

The June - August copies of Our Daily Bread are on the small table at the rear of the sanctuary.

WE ARE IN NEED OF SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS!

We are looking for anyone interested in helping serve one Sunday a month with our kids' Sunday school program or willing to be a substitute when needed. Lessons are planned out and easy to follow, and supplies can be provided if needed. Please talk to Sierra Larson, Kirk Olson, Pat Schultz, or Pastor Ethan if interested!

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 June is our Food Stand at the Todd County Fair. Proceeds from the fair help send our youth to summer camp and go on mission trips.

Weekly Report:

Worship Attendance for last week: 78

General Fund budgeted weekly needs: \$4,669.99

General Fund Year to Date as of 4/30/24:

Budgeted needs: \$79,389.83

Receipts: \$67,931.16

Actual expenses: \$67,318.85

As of May 19th, our 2024 YTD General Budget receipts were \$15,044.98 behind our YTD General Budget needs.

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Sunday Worship Livestream: [on Facebook](#)

PRAYER LIST

Our current prayer list includes Deb Adamek, Larry Adamek, Joe Ayers, Bernette Burgeson, Jodi Eckel, Karin Fearing, Lee Fearing, Blain Hall, Larry Hatton, Mary Ann Heldt, Stephanie James, Lois Johnson, Donna Lardy, Joni Love, Aubrey Olson, Roger Schultes, Matt Stacey, Sam Tesch, Kevin Thole, and Rose Thorp.

Our ongoing prayer list includes Pratik Biswakarma and Chintapalli Divya, ALCW's Kidstown International sponsorship children.

If you would like someone added to these lists for special prayer or know of someone who would like a pastoral visit, please contact Pastor Ethan and let him know of your request.

We are so frequently reminded of the extreme danger those involved in Law Enforcement face. Within our congregation, there are many individuals and families who have friends and loved ones serving in these roles. Therefore, several of us are requesting that we regularly include these names in our weekly congregational prayers.

Presently we are requesting prayers for our law enforcement officers:

- Kyle Drum, husband of Toni Drum
- Nick Eldred, son of Chuck & Nancy Eldred
- Tom Haugen, son of Bryan & Linda Haugen, grandson of Ione Krause
- Tim Schroeder, son of Sue & Dennis Kanaski
- Brian Schultes, son of Dean & Julie Schultes
- Pete John, cousin to Janie Thole
- Barry Tirk, son of Allan & Blanche Tirk
- Tony Solseth, grandson of Carole Thompson
- Dave Greaver, Todd County Sheriff's Department Chaplain

We are perhaps not aware of all who should be included in this list. We have begun compiling and ask you to give the church office names of additional law enforcement personnel and their families.

Weekly Schedule at American Lutheran Church

Sun. June 16th: 9:00 am Worship Service with Communion
10:15 am New Member Class

Mon. June 17th: 6:15 pm Sarah Circle Singing at Meadow Place
7:00 pm Sarah Circle Bible Study

Tue. June 18th: 8:15 pm Staff Meeting

Wed. June 19th: 11:00 am Newsletter Articles Due
6:30 pm Choir Practice

Sun. June 23rd: 8:30 am Youth & Family Committee Meeting
9:00 am Worship Service
10:15 am New Member Class

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 our website.