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FOURTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST FATHER'S DAY
June 16, 2024

OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH LUTHERAN CHURCH-MISSOURI SYNOD Office phone: 641.792.1084 Office e-mail: oursavr@windstream.net Website: www.oursavlutheran.com Worship Service: Sundays at **8:00 a.m**.

WELCOME TO ALL guests and visitors. It is great

to have you here with us to receive the gifts of God in this place. If you have any questions, please speak with an usher. We look forward to seeing you again!

COMMMUNION: The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is being offered to our confirmed communicants today and is administered in accordance with the Holy Scriptures and the Lutheran Confessions. It is celebrated in the confidence that we truly receive, under the bread and wine, the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, through which we further truly receive the forgiveness of sins. Besides individually receiving Christ's gift of forgiveness in this Sacrament, all those who commune here make a confession of their unity in the faith as it is believed and taught in our Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod and in this congregation. Therefore, if you are not a confirmed communicant member, in good standing, of a Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod congregation, we kindly ask that you respect our beliefs and refrain from coming to the altar to receive the Sacrament until you have had an opportunity to speak with the Pastor.

Those serving in June

Pastor: Rev. David Splett
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Elder: Jary Boger
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OLD TESTAMENT READING

Ezekiel 17:22-24

Thus says the Lord GoD: "I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of the cedar and will set it out. I will break off from the topmost of its young twigs a tender one, and I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. On the mountain height of Israel will I plant it, that it may bear branches and produce fruit and become a noble cedar. And under it will dwell every kind of bird; in the shade of its branches birds of every sort will nest. And all the trees of the field shall know that I am the LORD; I bring low the high tree, and make high the low tree, dry up the green tree, and make the dry tree flourish. I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it."

- P This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God

EPISTLE READING

2 Corinthians 5:1–10

We know that if the tent, which is our earthly home, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this tent we groan, longing to put on our

heavenly dwelling, if indeed by putting it on we may not be found naked. For while we are still in this tent, we groan, being burdened—not that we would be unclothed, but that we would be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.

So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we are of good courage, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil.

- P This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God

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HOLY GOSPEL Mark 4:26-34

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the fourth chapter.

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

[Jesus] said, "The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground. He sleeps and rises night and day, and the seed sprouts and grows; he knows not how. The earth produces by itself, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. But when the grain is ripe, at once he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come."

And he said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable shall we use for it? It is like a grain of mustard seed, which, when sown on the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth, yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes larger than all the garden plants and puts out large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it. He did not speak to them without a parable, but privately to his own disciples he explained everything.

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

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Regular OSL Education Opportunities:

Sunday School: Sundays @ 9:30-10:30am, leaders—*Chris & Jerry Roby* **Adult Bible Class**: Sundays @ 9:30-10:30am,leader—*Doug DeJong*, et al

Wednesday Bible Study: 1-2:30pm, leader - Pastor Picard

OSL West (3rd Thurs of the month): 10:15-11am, leader – *Pastor Brandt*

| This Week at Our Savior | | | |
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| Day | Date | Time | Description |
| Sunday | 16 | 9:00a 10:00a 10:30a | Worship Service Fellowship Bible Study & Sunday School FATHER'S DAY |
| Monday | 17 | | |
| Tuesday | 18 | 6:30p | Council Meeting |
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| Friday | 21 | | LWML District Convention – Cedar Rapids |
| Saturday | 22 | | LWML District Convention – Cedar Rapids |
| Sunday | 23 | 8:00a 9:00a 9:30a | Worship Service Fellowship Bible Study & Sunday School |

Happy Birthday to

June 17 - Chelsea Dunkerson

June 8 – Maryna Krizman

June 20 – Evan Benak

June 22 - Alisha Calow



<u> Happy Anniversary to</u> June 19 – Larry & Thelma Pettet





60th Anniversary Open House Come join Doug and JoAnn Ringger at the Newton Arboretum on June 27 from 2p to 4p.

Upcoming Dates of Interest

Today – Substitute Pastor Pastor David Splett 9:00a Worship 10:00a Fellowship 10:30a – Bible Study & Sunday School

WML District Convention (Cedar Rapids) - June 21-22

August 18 @ 1:08p - Iowa Cubs game.
(More details and signup sheets will be available in July)



Remember in your prayers.....

- Jeromy Van Baale, son of Carol Twedt. Prayers for healing and adjustments.
- Jane Chaplin (Texas), Loretta Tool's sister, suffering with Parkinson's Disease and onset of Dementia.
- Nancy Janssen, at Newton Healthcare Center for medical attention
- Stephanie Wellik, medical concerns
- Jan Vos & wife, Machelle, son-in-law of Carol Twedt, recovering at home (stroke)
- The Ministry of The Pregnancy Center of Central Iowa
- The suffering of those impacted and all people who continue to be impacted by the devastation of the Hamas-Israel War and the impact of the gang wars in Haiti.
- People of our country who have been experiencing loss of property and in some cases loss of lives due to the numerous tornadoes, derechos, and flooding that continue to be present week after week.

Our Missionaries

Rev. James and Angela Sharp, Uruguay Carl & ChenHsi Li Hanson, Korea. Dr. Stephen & Maggie Oliver, Taiwan



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Please let Mickey know if you have an addition or update to the Prayers for the congregation. Thank you.