

"Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me."

-Matthew 16:24



OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Larimore, ND

September 3, 2023

14th Sunday After Pentecost

PRELUDE

GREETING

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made

Assembly: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Leader: We praise and thank you for your amazing grace & life-giving power!

ALL: Let us worship and give praise to God!

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity...whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open...and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Gracious God, **Have mercy on me. I confess that I have turned from you and given myself into the power of sin. I am truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive me of my sins, known and unknown, things I have done and things I have failed to do. Turn me again to you, and uphold me by your Spirit, so that I may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, my Savior and Lord. Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy...that Christ may live in our hearts through faith. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN “*For the Beauty of the Earth*” ELW 879 vs.1-4

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. **O God, we thank you for your Son, who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world. Humble us by his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow your commands, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

WORD

FIRST READING *Jeremiah 15:10-21* PB 626-627

WORD OF GOD, WORD OF LIFE. THANKS BE TO GOD.

PSALM: *Psalms 26:1-12* (read responsively, verse by verse)

¹Vindicate me, LORD, for I have led a blameless life; I have trusted in the LORD and have not faltered. ²**Test me, LORD, and try me, examine my heart and my mind;** ³for I have always been mindful of your unfailing love and have lived in reliance on your faithfulness. ⁴**I do not sit with the deceitful, nor do I associate with hypocrites.** ⁵I abhor the assembly of evildoers and refuse to sit with the wicked. ⁶**I wash my hands in innocence, and go about your altar, LORD,** ⁷proclaiming aloud your praise and telling of all your wonderful deeds. ⁸**LORD, I love the house where you live, the place where your glory dwells.** ⁹Do not take away my soul along with sinners, my life with those who are bloodthirsty, ¹⁰**in whose hands are wicked schemes, whose right hands are full of bribes.** ¹¹I lead a blameless life; deliver me and be merciful to me. ¹²**My feet stand on level ground; in the great congregation I will praise the LORD.**

SECOND READING: *Romans 12:9-21* PB 922-923

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION “*Be Thou My Vision*” vs.1

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art: thou my best thought both by day and by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

L:The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 16th chapter.

A: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL *Matthew 16:21-28* PB 798

L: The Gospel of our Lord.

A: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY “*Son of God, Eternal Savior*” ELW 655 vs.1,3,4

***APOSTLE’S CREED** pg. 105

I BELIEVE in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I BELIEVE in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into Hell. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I BELIEVE in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. AMEN.

***OFFERING** “*We Give Thee But Thine Own*”

We give Thee but thine own, what e’er thy gift may be; all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from Thee.

***OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray. You are an abundant God and out of Your great mercy you have given us so much. We give you this offering today. With it, we worship You and give our whole selves to You. May it be used for Your kingdom and Your glory. Amen.

***PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION** “*Lord, Listen to Your Children...*”

SING: Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place; Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us pow’r, send us grace.

MEAL

***THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

L: The Lord be with you.

A: **And also with you.**

L: Lift up your hearts.

A: **We lift them to the Lord.**

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

A: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

L: It is indeed right...and join their unending hymn:

ALL: **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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.

INVITATION/DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION BLESSING

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray: We thank you, gracious God, for loving all your family with tender care, and feeding us in a way our hearts can understand, with the saving body and blood of Jesus Christ. Renew and enliven us by your presence in this meal, that we may be your presence in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. AMEN.

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*BLESSING

*SENDING HYMN “*Blest Be the Tie That Binds*” ELW 656

*DISMISSAL

Marked with the cross of Christ, be a warrior of prayer and a light of hope to all the world! **We will! Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

Welcome! We are glad you are with us today! If you are interested in joining our church, please contact Lori at 218-791-2671 or Julie at 701-741-5683. If you have an emergency, call Wayne Knudson (church president) at 218-779-3594 -or- Camilla Stover at 218-791-2678.

Our Savior's Mission Statement:

“**Excited by faith**, we are called to **serve all**; gathered to **WORSHIP, inspired** to teach, **we are our Savior's!**”

CALENDAR

Today, 9/3/2023—14th Sunday of Pentecost

9:00am—Worship—with Holy Communion

10:00am—Fellowship

Next Sunday, 9/10/2023—Rally Sunday, Blessing of the Backpacks, God's

Work Our Hands

9:00am—Sunday School

10:00am—Worship

Every day:

An opportunity to show we are Christians by our love.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Mission of the Month for: Sept-Oct:** Kids Closet
- **Noisy offering:** Collected on the 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month for the mission of the month(s).
- **Missing:** Our church is missing all of the Home Communion Kits. If you have one, please bring it to church at your earliest convenience. Thank you!
- **Sunday, September 10th:**
 - **Rally Sunday** – Sunday School Starts @ 9:00am
 - **Blessing of the Backpacks** – Bring your backpack to church!
 - **God's Work Our Hands** – Come prepared to do God's work!
 - **Church Service starts @ 10:00am**
- **Sunday, September 17th:** Special Church Meeting after church service

PRAYER LISTS

To add or remove someone from the prayer lists, please email the church email: oslclarimoreoffice@gmail.com or call/text Roberta Stover: 218-779-0359

We pray for those in need:

Lois Jemtrud Mark Sletten Ron Petsinger
Betty Olson Pr. Rena Peterson Cindy Olson
Bonnie Olson David Barnett (relative of Robert Stover)
Donna Willoughby (daughter of Gordon Peterson)
David Sletten (cousin to Camilla Stover)
Robbie Leake Island of Maui
OSLC Call Committee: *Paul Mutch, Dee Muir, Jenn Aamodt, Nancy Smith, Wayne Knudson (non-voting members: Luke Reinhold, Sadie Aamodt)*

Prayers for Homebound/Nursing Home Members:

Viola Lee Gloria Temple LaVonne Jacobson
Denise Sweeney Dolores Mutch Marv Jemtrud
Arlene Lilja

Prayers for Armed Service Members:

Robert Norman Dillon Norman

Serving this Sunday

Ushers: Mitch Tupa

Reader: Mitch Tupa

Prayer: volunteer welcome

Communion: S. Johnson & T. Welder

Fellowship: Mutchs & Smiths

Serving Next Sunday (9/10/23)

Ushers:??—sign up on the clipboard

Reader: Josh

Prayer: Josh

Communion: N/A

Fellowship: Stovers (coffee only)