Praying

MINISTRY WORKERS

"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." (Luke 10.2 ESV)

PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS

Pray for Christians in Algeria who are being charged with religious crimes by their government.

CARING FOR OUR COMMUNITY

McKenzie County Food Pantry

HEALING

Bryan Fevold, Chris Schaffer, Joyce Hovland, Clay Ceynar, Doyle & Deb Hagen, Wynn Murphy, Ken Mickelson, Richard Helmuth, Jean Elliott, Jessica Wisness Burns, Lori Halverson

CHURCH FAMILY

Kent, Anita & Luke Pedersen; Jordyn Pedersen; Tim & Julie Pedersen; Jo Anne Ross

SISTER CONGREGATIONS

Praise Christian Fellowship- Pastor Evan Langlois, Barkhamsted, Connecticut

CLB MINISTRIES

Church of the Lutheran Brethren Denomination Office- Paul Larson, Troy Tysdal, Tim Mathiesen, LaWayne Rogness, Paul Tjelta, Steve Tonneson, Roy Heggland, Roger Olson, Eugene Boe, Andrea Knick, Krista Hexum, Kayla Doering

Mission Focus

Stress of Persecution Impacts Health for Two Algerian Christians



Two Christians are struggling with health problems as they wait for their court cases to be resolved. Soon after Murad became a follower of Christ, he was active in telling others the Good News and eventually became a pastor. The Algerian government took notice of his Christian activities, arresting him and charging him with numerous violations of religious laws. If he is convicted, Murad could face several years in prison. He has appealed his case to the Algerian Supreme

Court, but the stress of his legal ordeal has created some serious health complications. A member of his congregation was also arrested, and his ongoing court case has also created health problems for him. The Voice of the Martyrs frontline workers ask for prayer for the health of these two Algerian Christians to improve. They also ask people to pray for resolution of the court cases that does not include prison time and will enable churches to operate freely within Algeria.

Growing & Serving

MONDAY, AUGUST 11

6:30 PM Women's Bible Study at Arianna's house

TUESDAY, AUGUST 12

9:00 AM Prayer Meeting

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13

6:00 PM Faith & Family Summer Game Night



SUNDAY, AUGUST 17

Christ

9:30 AM Morning Prayer
10:00 AM Worship Service
After the service-Youth Parents Meeting





UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, August 24th, After the Service Faith & Family Night Teachers Meeting (Lunch provided)

BIRTHDAYS

Aug 12Lane OdenbachAug 13Wayne JohnsonAug 20Arlen JacobsonAug 23Lynn Heiser





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We're glad you're here to worship with us. If you're visiting with us today, we hope you'll stick around for a bit after the service. We'd love to get acquainted with you. If you'd like us to contact you, please scan our QR code on the back of the bulletin, or fill out a visitor card at our Welcome Center.

BIBLE CENTERED Through God's saving Word we have been adopted into God's Family and share in the saving work of Jesus Christ.

FAMILY FOCUSED As brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ, we serve each other and worship, learn and work together:

MISSION DRIVEN We are engaged in Jesus' disciple-making mission - winning souls for Christ by the preaching of the Word and personal witnessing, and strengthening believers through Christian fellowship in the Word and Sacraments.





Welcome

Call to Worship

Prayers of the Church

All Creatures Of Our God And King Songs of Praise **Build My Life**

Before The Throne Of God Above

Psalm 33:12-22

Old Testament Reading Genesis 15:1-6 Epistle Reading Hebrews 11:1-16

Children's Message Tithes and Offerings

Gospel Reading

Luke 12:22-34

Sermon

To Thee I Come Hymn

Holy Communion

The Nicene Creed

Benediction

Doxology

Sermon Notes			

Next Sunday's Readings: Psalm 119:81-88, Jeremiah 23:16-29, Hebrews 11:17-31; 12:1-3, Luke 12:49-53



Talking about **The Ten Commandments**

The Second Table of the Law

57 Who is your neighbor?

Everyone is my neighbor (Luke 10:25-37).

58 When do you love your neighbor in the right way?

I love my neighbor in the right way when I do what Jesus tells me to do when He said, "In everything, do to others what you would have them do to you..." (Matthew 7:12)

Matthew 5:44 "But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute vou...'

James 1:27 "Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world."

The Fourth Commandment

Honor your father and mother, so that you may live long in the land the Lord your God is giving you (Exodus 20:12).

What does this mean?

This means that we should fear and love God so that we do not despise our parents and those in authority nor provoke them to anger, but honor, serve, obey, love, and think highly of them.

59 Why should you honor your father and mother?

I should honor my father and mother because God has placed them over me to care for my physical, emotional, and spiritual welfare.

Ephesians 6:1-3 "Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. "Honor your father and mother" (this is the first commandment with a

promise), "that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land."

Scriptures are noted in the English Standard Version



The Lord's Supper

Who may participate?

This sacrament is meant for believers in Jesus Christ (I Corinthians 11:27-29). It is the way that God unites His church, sustains the church and grows faith, hope and love as the church participates in this shared grace together. Communion is God's way of delivering assurance of the forgiveness of sins to the flock.

What is received?

Christ gives to the communicants His body and blood - in, with, and under the bread and wine. He declares the forgiveness of sin to all believers, and strengthens their faith.

I feel I'm unworthy to receive

Being unworthy of Jesus' body and blood is the primary reason to receive the forgiveness of sins promised in communion. But it is possible to receive communion with an unworthy attitude. Therefore, self-examination is called for (1 Corinthians 11:28, 31).

I do well to ask myself:

I. Do I believe Jesus' promises? "Without faith it is impossible to please God" (Hebrews 11:6).

2. Do I recognize Jesus' presence?

"Whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. Anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself"

3. Am I reconciled with my fellow believers? If we do not value reconciliation with others, we put ourselves in a place where we are distancing ourselves from God's will for us. We are living in rebellion.

4. Do I recognize my sinfulness and that it will be the death of me? (1 John 1:5-10)

5. Is my hope in Jesus alone as the one who can give me eternal life?

We invite those who confess Jesus as their Savior from sin and death to receive the gift of forgiveness of sins offered and gifted in this sacrament.

A Note for Parents

Because communion requires time for self-examination, we do not encourage communion for children until they are old enough to be taught and old enough for self-examination. Through teaching they will appreciate its significance. Catechism Classes provide an opportunity to learn about the Lord's Supper. These classes are taught with the use of Luther's Small Catechism ... If you would like a copy of the Small Catechism for personal instruction or to instruct your children please contact the Pastor or the church office.

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^{*} If you are able, please stand for elements of the service noted in bold.