

16TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Flowers, praising our Lord, are placed on the altar by the Miller family, in honor of Bill's 80th!

Sunday, September 16, 2012

Contemporary Worship Service

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Worship

Saturday 5:30pm
Sunday 8:30 & 10:30am
Sun School 9:30am

Facility Hours

Mon – Thurs 8:30-7:00
Fri – Sun 8:30 – 2:00



Reading Genesis 15:1-6

After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great."² But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?"³ And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir."⁴ But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir."⁵ He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to

count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be."⁶ And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

***The Gospel** Luke 3:8

⁸*Bear fruits worthy of repentance. Do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham.*

Table Prayer for the Week

Heavenly Father, in your gracious care you chose Abaraham. In your righteousness you gave him the faith to believe. We thank you for choosing us. Continue to give us faith to believe your promises for us. Bless now the food we are about to eat. May it strengthen us for service in your name. Amen!

PRAYERS OF HEALING & STRENGTH

*Jeff Holmer	[K Erickson]	*Diana Adkins	[B Hennen]
*Nikki Gleasner	[M Hanson]	*Chet Boem	[Family]
*James Pomplun	[B Johnson]	*Abby Brenny	[G Faiman]
*Jim Stadtherr	[J Stadtherr]	*Ben Dirks	[G Blem]
*Joann Hawkinson	[Family]	*Patsy Mitchell	[L Schultze]
*Teeny Kadelbach	[M Hausken]	*Greg Bunke	[C Mallak]
*Madison Travers	[K Barta]	*Rosalie Sheggeby	[N Hague]
*Sonja Gunderson	[N Bahl]		
*David Wohnoutka	[K Barta]		
*MaKayla Whited	[S Whited]		
*Donna Boese	[K van der Hagen]		
*Chuck/Connie Grewe	[V Mittlestadt]		



PRAISE

- *Thanksgiving to all who have shared their apples this season!
- *Thanks for the gift of a new monitor for the tech system upstairs!
- *Welcome to our new members!
 - Freddie & Monica Ridler, Madeline, Parker and Rylan
 - Gregg & Cathy Helin, Halle

Adding loved ones to the Prayer & Praise Lists:

- Please gain permission.
- Fill out a request form: found in the pews & office, or use at crossofcalvary.net
- Names will remain on the list for a maximum of one month.
- If you feel someone should remain on the list, please resubmit the name to the office.

Living with the Catechism-
You shall have no other gods.
 We are to fear, love, and trust God above all things.

COMMUNION: OCT 7, 21 NOV 4, 18 DEC 2, 16, 24

COMING UP THIS WEEK Save Avenues Donations accepted all week

16 Sun	WORSHIP - New Disciple Sunday Sunday School / Coffee Hour	8:30/10:30am 9:30 am
17 Mon	Follower deadline Boy Scouts	6:30-8:00pm
18 Tues	Office CLOSED – staff at Synod Meetings Men’s Bible Study-Church Boy Scouts	6:15, 7:00am 5:30-7:30pm
19 Wed	Men’s Bible Study @ Parkview 1 st Communion Class WOW Confirmation Meal/Class Committee Meetings Confirmation Dinner Planning mtg Council Meeting	9:00am 3:15pm 3:15pm 5:30-7:00pm 6:00pm 6:00pm 7:00pm
20 Thur	Bulletin deadline	

21 Fri	Rehearsal	6:00pm
22 Sat	Wedding – Malvin/Dahl	4:00pm
	WORSHIP	5:30pm
23 Sun	WORSHIP	8:30/10:30am
	Sunday School / Coffee Hour	9:30 am
	AED Training – registration required	

SEPTEMBER

24	Ruth Unit at 1:30pm
25	Assemble the Follower at 1pm
26	NO 1st Communion or Confirmation
27	Dorcas Unit at 9:30am
30	Baptism - Liam Tretsven
30	CLOCK 6:10pm



The VOLUNTEER LIST IS ON THE BOARD

Altar Guild

SEPT M Klinghagen, B Wertish OCT E Ziesmer, E Vogt

Communion

SEPT 8:30 B Boen 10:30 D Altmann
 OCT 8:30 S Whited 10:30 N Serbus

Ushers

SEPT 8:30 – B Slagter, K Slagter, T Slagter, S Slagter
 10:30 – C Sather, D Steffel, D Senger, D Wallert
 OCT 8:30 – M Grund, J Grund, A Thompson, D Gross
 10:30 – G Johnson, D/M Johnson, G Beltz, D Altmann

Tech Team

SEPT 168:30 10:30
 SEPT 238:30 N Wertish 10:30 C Lund
 SEPT 308:30 S Erickson 10:30

Acolytes

SEPT M Crow and T Lingl OCT E Skeie and M Fennern

Coffee Host

SEPT 23 YOUTH SEPT 30 YOUTH
 OCT 7 OCT 14 YOUTH

Altar Flowers

SEPT 23 SEPT 30

LIFTING UP THE RENVILLE COUNTY FOOD SHELF

- Donation will be accepted following today's worship services in support of the needs of the Renville County Food Shelf, which lost everything in the fire a few days ago.
- Throughout the months of September and October, we will make an effort to collect non-perishable goods in order to help restock the shelves. Please remember to include those in need when making your grocery runs.

The Narrative Lectionary is here!

This is the second week utilizing the Narrative Lectionary. This four-year cycle of sharing and studying the Bible as an on-going story will help us better understand the Word. Make it, once again, a habit of bringing your Bible to church. Pastor will be leading the congregation through the text. Taking notes in your Bible makes it easy for later study. Pastor will be using the Lutheran Study Bible (NRSV). This version is available for \$20. However, it is not necessary to have this particular copy. The disciples spoke in tongues, so can we!

AED training on Sunday, September 23rd

- 3pm - 5pm or 6pm-8pm
- Maximum of 10 participants per session
- No fee
- Open to individuals, grade 7 - adult
- Hands-on training - wear comfortable clothing
- Long hair should be tied back
- Instructors - Jean and Mike Hennen
- This is NOT a certification course

To reserve your spot...

- Email or call the office by September 20th.
- If a spot is open = You will receive notice of your registration.
- If no spot is open = You will be on the wait list for a new date.
- Date doesn't work for you? Let Laurie know, and we'll set up another date.

Equal Exchange Coffee is available at the education wing hallway display. Pay less while seeing that the growers get more!

New Boxed Greeting Cards on display in the education wing hallway. Proceeds are used by the Altar Guild for Altar/worship needs.

Two helpful hints when preparing your offering envelopes...and very much appreciated

- please jot down the amount and your name as indicated inside the flap.
- avoid tape unless you are sending your envelope through the mail.

COMMUNITY BOARD

Our Savior's Annual Harvest Festival in Sacred Heart, Wed, Sept 19, 4:30-7:00 pm. Bake Shop; Farmer's Market, Grandma's Attic; Meatball Supper . Adults: \$9. Children 10 & under: \$4. Preschoolers Free.

Apple Harvest Fest. Sun, Sept 23, at Parkview Village. Pies, crisp, dumplings, bake sale, music, silent auction. 1:30-3:30.

Renville County Senior Expo: (not just for seniors!!) **Tuesday, Sept. 25** 9:00 a.m. – 2:15 p.m. at the Bird Island Ballroom. Cost to attend \$6.

Willmar Walk to End Alzheimer's. Sunday, Sept. 23rd, Buffet at Bart's Place, Renville. 11a-1p. See Community Board. Free Will Donation.

The Christian Community Outreach Center <http://ccocmn.org>

- **Cross of Calvary has volunteered to provide snacks for the Christian Community Outreach Center After School Program during the month of September.** If you are willing to provide a healthy snack and milk for 75 kids, please sign up on The Board. Since there are so many kids, you might want to partner up. Snack ideas include: apples and carmel, cheese and crackers, bananas, grapes, celery and peanut butter, veggies and dip. Questions? Ask Alicia Osthus or Sarah Hausken.
- **After school program** started Sept 10. Kids grades K - 12 are welcome to come to the CCOC on Mondays and Thursdays from 3 - 6 for a snack, Bible Study, Homework Help and enriching activities.
- **Free Community Youth Concert featuring CTI 14:21**
Saturday, September 22, 6:30 pm
Christian Community Outreach Center in downtown Olivia
Suggested donation: A food item for the Renville County Food Shelf

Open House- Bethany Christian Services / Hope Pregnancy Center on Sept 21 from 5-8pm.

Help for Rent. St. Mary's 7th/8th grade trip to Washington D.C. and New York. Rent a work team (2-3 students + 1 adult) for 2 hours – minimum donation is \$50. Sept 29– call Brigitta Mehlhouse 320-522-4031. Oct 6 – call Joan Honzay 320-522-1475

LACE Wisdom of Apps

Bishop Jon V. Anderson

From **L**utheran **A**ssociation of **C**hristian **E**ducators - Here are some great apps on faith formation that they lift up for families and individuals to use to deepen their faith lives and to help congregations become more vibrant.

New! Vibrant Faith@Home App for Androids and iPhone
VibrantFaith@Home offers free tips and tools to support and strengthen your family's spiritual journey no matter what your age or stage. Features include: Simple, easy-to-use faith-forming activities linked to the events of everyday life plus advice and support for parents, grandparents, families and young adults.

<http://get.thechurchapp.org/share/vibrant-faith-ministries>

More Faith Formation APPS

There's a really good chance anyone under the age of 40 recognizes the symbol below. It's the iTunes App store symbol. Our youth spend lots of hours touring the store to find the newest and coolest games. How about loading these fun faith formation tools? Encourage, equip, and energize youth, adults and families in places they are already familiar!



Matthew 25:21 — *“His master replied, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master’s happiness!’ ”*



Preparing for Next Week - September 23

God Uses Joseph for Good Genesis 37:3-8, 26-34; 50:15-21

Key Verse: “[Joseph said,] ‘even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today.’” Genesis 50:20

Time: About 1750 B.C.E.

Since Last Week: God promised Abraham descendants as numerous as the stars. Abraham became father of Isaac and Ishmael, who were the fathers of the Jewish and Islamic nations. Isaac became father of Jacob, who stole his father’s blessing from his twin, Esau. God renamed Jacob *Israel*, who became father of the 12 tribes of Israel.

Background: The youngest of Jacob’s sons, Joseph, was sold into slavery to Egypt by his brothers. In Egypt, Joseph rose to power and became a great man because of the gift of interpretation of dreams given to him by God. He saved the people from starving during a time of famine by helping them store grain during fruitful years. Driven to Egypt by the famine, Joseph’s brothers were once again reconciled with him. After their father’s death, the brothers worried that Joseph would finally get his revenge. But Joseph knew that, although the brothers intended their actions for evil, God intended them for good.

Community: In what ways can you reconcile with someone in light of God’s goodness? How can your community of faith reconcile with one another so that God’s work may be done?

At Home: What gifts has God given you?

How can you use your gifts for good?

Read This Week:

Monday: *Egyptian Midwives Save Hebrew Babies*, Exodus 1:1-22

Tuesday: *Birth and Youth of Moses*, Exodus 2:1-25

Wednesday: *God Calls Moses*, Exodus 3:1-15

Thursday: *Plagues 1-3*, Exodus 7:1-8:19

Friday: *Plagues 4-6*, Exodus 7:20-9:12

Saturday: *Plagues 7-9*, Exodus 9:13-10:29

