

Our Mission: Cultivating God's Love

14th Sunday after Pentecost ____ August 18, 2024

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*GREET ONE ANOTHER WITH GOD'S PEACE

RINGING OF THE BELL

INVOCATION

We gather in the name of the Triune God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather in the name of the Creator,

inviting us always to risk the unknown.

We gather in the name of the Christ,

fully human, fully divine, full of gift and mystery.

We gather in the name of the Spirit,

Unveiling for us what feels long-hidden. Amen.

GATHERING SONG As We Gather at Your Table #522

As we gather at your table, as we listen to your word, help us know, O God, your presence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.

Nourish us with sacred story till we claim it as our own; teach us through this holy banquet how to make Love's vict'ry known.

Turn our worship into witness in the sacrament of life; send us forth to love and serve you, bringing peace where there is strife.

Give us, Christ, your great compassion to forgive as you forgave; may we still behold your image in the world you died to save.

Gracious Spirit, help us summon other guests to share that feast where triumphant Love will welcome those who had been last and least. There no more will envy blind us nor will pride our peace destroy, as we join with saints and angels to repeat the sounding joy.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Gathered into one by God's Spirit, we are bold to confess our sins, our shortcomings, our failures, right here in the open, in the presence of God and of one another. [Silence for reflection]

God of grace,

We confess that we have failed you, failed ourselves, failed one another. We assume the worst about those around us, rather than giving anyone the benefit of the doubt. We do the same to ourselves, and sometimes, even, we do the same to you. We are stubborn and determined to hold a grudge. We fail to exercise our imaginations, fail to recognize your words waiting to be born, if only we would step up to help, or sometimes, if only we would move out of the way. Forgive us, O God, and show us another way forward. Amen.

Hear the good news of the risen Christ: God is making all things new! Your sins are forgiven. God's invitation is to another way of living. Thanks be to God!

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O, God,

When the world feels like choppy seas, it's easy to turn inward. Grant us courage to face the unknown, the hard decisions, the cost of doing what is right. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 27:1, 9-12, 20-25

When it was decided that we were to sail for Italy, they transferred Paul and some other prisoners to a centurion of the Augustan Cohort, named Julius.

Since much time had been lost and sailing was now dangerous, because even the Fast had already gone by, Paul advised them, saying, "Men, I can see that the voyage will be with danger and much heavy loss, not only of the cargo and the ship, but also of our lives." But the centurion paid more attention to the pilot and to the owner of the ship than to what Paul said. Since the harbor was not suitable for spending the winter, the majority was in favor of putting to sea from there on the chance that somehow they could reach Phoenix, where they could spend the winter. It was a harbor of Crete, facing southwest and northwest.

When neither sun nor stars appeared for many days and no small tempest raged, all hope of our being saved was at last abandoned.

Since they had been without food for a long time, Paul then stood up among them and said, "Men, you should have listened to me and not have set sail from Crete and thereby avoided this damage and loss. I urge you now to keep up your courage, for there will be no loss of life among you, but only of the ship. For last night there stood by me an angel of the God to whom I belong and whom I worship, and he said, 'Do not be afraid, Paul; you must stand before the emperor, and, indeed, God has granted safety to all those who are sailing with you.' So keep up your courage, men, for I have faith in God that it will be exactly as I have been told.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"S is for Shipwreck:"

God of grace and God of Glory

God of grace and God of glory,

on your people pour your pow'r;

crown your ancient church's story;

bring its bud to glorious flow'r.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage

for the facing of this hour, for the facing of this hour.

Lo! the hosts of evil round us scorn the Christ, assail his ways!
From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage for the living of these days, for the living of these days.

Cure your children's warring madness; bend our pride to your control; shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss your kingdom's goal, lest we miss your kingdom's goal.

Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore; let the gift of your salvation be our glory evermore. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving you whom we adore, serving you whom we adore.

APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary.
He 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,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father, He will come again 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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Merciful God, receive our prayer.

OFFERING

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of every good thing,

You provide for us in every season of our lives. Help us to open our hands, open our lives, to your whole creation, that we might prioritize justice over wealth, truth over reputation, people over profits. Now gather our gifts, nourish us with this sacrament, and send us to those who hunger and thirst, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

*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.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSING

*BENEDICTION

May God bless you with the curiosity to continue growing into your own self. May God keep you steady in the face of all that is unknown.

May God's face shine on you as you seek new answers to old questions being born anew. **Amen.**

*SENDING HYMN Sent Forth By God's Blessing #547
Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing,
the people of God from this dwelling take leave.
The supper is ended. Oh, now be extended
the fruits of this service in all who believe.
The seed of Christ's teaching, receptive souls reaching,
shall blossom in action for God and for all.
Your grace shall incite us, your love shall unite us
to work for your kingdom and answer your call.

With praise and thanksgiving to God ever-living, the tasks of our ev'ryday life we will face—our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring, embracing God's children, the whole human race.

With your feast you feed us, with your light now lead us; unite us as one in this life that we share.

Then may all the living with praise and thanksgiving give honor to Christ and his name that we bear.

*DISMISSAL

Go now in peace with open hearts and minds, seeking justice and truth in all things. Go now! Serve God! Love your neighbor! Okay, we will! Thanks be to God.

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Let's go to the museum!

Come one, come all!
Tour the HAHA museum (free)
(Next to the post office)

August Dates
Saturdays: August 3, 10, 17, 24, 31
11 am to 2 pm

This schedule may change during the Custer County Fair so check the HAHA website of Facebook page to verify dates and times in August.

Please Pray For ...

***Those who are grieving losses of any sort, including the family and friends of John Sunding

***Those recovering from surgeries, and those who are ill or hospitalized; including, Josie Main; Nicole; Jayden Quinn; Gene Deyo; Pam Rhiger; Michelle; Trista Merritt; Rick Fischer; Michael Bramblee

***Those with on-going concerns, including Laurel Reynolds; Helen Murphy; Lowell; Cathy Dahl; Beckham; Carmen Lakner; Chelle Schefcik; David Henricken; Shanna; Joe and Amy Hodish; Ken; Kirt Burt; Keith Buchholz; Glenyce; Reece Ullerich; Gary McKean; Suzan Heidelberger; Elizabeth Mertz; Tony; David; Corey; Kim; Iris Brimer; Peg Tesch ***For those affected by fires

- ***Lutherans Outdoors Campers and Staffers
- ***For our military members and their families
- ***For our leaders at all levels
- ***For our siblings in Christ, our friends and enemies, both near and far

Mission of the Month Josie Main & Family

On July 6, Josie was taken to Urgent Care for what she thought was a pinched nerve. This visit ended up with her in the ER where it was confirmed she had



a heart attack which resulted in open heart surgery on July 7. Josie is home and healing, but she has a long road ahead of her.

Josie is an invaluable parttime employee at OSL. Being parttime means she has no benefits-no insurance and very little paid time off, which she has already used. The donations made to this month's mission of the month will assist Josie and her family with lost wages as well as medical expenses while she is recuperating. Josie and her family are incredibly grateful for all of the help and well-wishes she (they) have already received.

Financial donations can be mailed or dropped off at the church, placed in the Mission of the Month Offering bowl on the usher's table, the offering plate during worship, or given electronically. There is a Mission of the Month option in the dropdown section on Tithe-ly.

Date	Aug 18	Aug 25
Greeters/Ushers	Dar & Gwen	Larry & Marlene Dickschat
	Schroeder	
Reader	Not needed	Not needed
Communion	Carol	Carol Neugebauer
Prep	Neugebauer	
Communion	Dar	Marlene Dickschat
Assist	Schroeder	
Fellowship	Rebecca	Setup: Gwen Schroder
Servers	Kaiser	Clean-up: Carol Neugebauer

This week at OSL...and community

Sunday, August 18: 9:30 am to 10:00 am – Worship

Back to School Blessing Fellowship after worship

10:30am Church Council Meeting

Monday August 19: 4:00-6:00pm Hermosa School Open House/Picnic

Sunday August 25: 9:30 am to 10:00 am – Worship 12:00 Duck Race at Lintz Ranch

**Church office will be closed. Please contact Pastor Deb as needed.

(605-890-0781 or oslpastor@mt-rushmore.net.)

You are invited to join the Welcome Team!

Purpose: To ensure new worshipers feel seen, welcomed and a part of OSL

Duties of Members:

Follow-up with worshipers using information provided on Welcome Cards Be alert during fellowship time to make sure no one is sitting alone at a table Be aware of those at worship who might need an extra hand and offer to sit with them and help

Be available to meet with worshipers to build relationships and answer questions about OSL

(These duties are fluid and flexibility and may change based on the needs of the team and OSL worshipers.)

Would you like to be a part of this team? Contact Cathy Dahl at 507-327-8350 or muttidahl@yahoo.com.



DUCK RACE

Sunday, August 25, 2024 12:00 noon Jim and Brenda Lintz Ranch Potluck followed by Race

100% of Proceeds fund the Hermosa Backpack Program



Kicking off the start of D.O.G.Night!

Wednesday, Sept. 4 5:30 pm
The whole community is invited!!
Free picnic Games Music Meet the Volunteers
Learn more about D.O.G. Night
Check out the church building
Register your child



The Whirl Kids invite you to be a part of D.O.G (Disciples of God) Night!
Wednesday Evenings 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm
Our Savior's Lutheran Church
Beginning September 11, 2024
**Would you like to volunteer? Please see Pastor Deb

