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Sun., Sept. 4th, 2022, 9:30am, NO Service Mon., Sept. 5, 2022, 6 pm

13th Sunday after Pentecost

COVID Protocol
Update: Council has
lifted COVID
protocols,
but encourages
awareness of
ongoing county
numbers and
personal health.

Welcome to
worship! Please
complete a
Connection Card
and place the card
in the offering
plate.
Thank you!

Called to
contemplate the
cost of discipleship,
we might be helped
by translating
Paul's request to
Philemon into our
prayer of the day:
Refresh my heart
in Christ.
Strengthened by
the company and
forgiveness of
Christ in holy
communion and
recalling God's
grace in
remembrance of
baptism, we can be
strengthened in this
hour to "choose
life"—to choose life
in God as our own.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please stand as you are comfortable.)

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that
is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond
our days. **Amen.**

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does.
Silence is kept for reflection.

God of mercy and forgiveness, **we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have
harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk
humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be
our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.**
Amen.

Beloved of God: your sins are forgiven + and you are made whole. God points the way
to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love
through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG

Lift High the Cross

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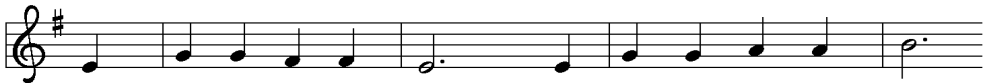
GREETING

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.

KYRIE

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- 1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
- 2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
- 3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!



1 Come, let us join our cheer-ful songs with an-gels round the throne;
 2 “Wor - thy the Lamb that died,” they cry, “to be ex - alt - ed thus!”
 3 Je - sus is wor - thy to re-ceive hon - or and pow’r di - vine;
 4 Let all cre - a - tion join in one to bless the sa - cred name



ten thou-sand thou-sand are their tongues, but all their joys are one.
 “Wor - thy the Lamb,” our lips re - ply, “for he was slain for us!”
 and bless-ings, more than we can give, be, Lord, for - ev - er thine.
 of God who sits up - on the throne, and to a - dore the Lamb.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Direct us, O Lord God, in all our doings with your continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name; and finally, by your mercy, bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
 Amen.

(Please be seated.)

WORD

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 30:15-20

¹⁵See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. ¹⁶If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. ¹⁷But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, ¹⁸I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, ²⁰loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.
 Word of God.

Word of Life. Thanks be to God.

PSALM 1

¹Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

**Their delight is in the law of the LORD,
 and they meditate on God’s teaching day and night.**

³They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; everything they do shall prosper.

⁴It is not so with the wicked; they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

⁵Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

**⁶For the LORD knows the way of the righteous,
 but the way of the wicked shall be destroyed.**

*Moses speaks
 to the Israelites,
 who are about
 to enter the
 land promised
 to their
 ancestors. In
 this passage, he
 lays out the
 stark choice
 before them:
 choose life by
 loving and
 obeying
 the LORD; or
 choose death
 by following
 other gods.*

*They are like
 trees planted
 by streams
 of water.
 (Ps. 1:3)*

SECOND READING: Philemon 1-21

¹Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, ²to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house: ³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God ⁵because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. ⁶I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. ⁷I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother. ⁸For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, ⁹yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. ¹⁰I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. ¹¹Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. ¹²I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. ¹³I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; ¹⁴but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. ¹⁵Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, ¹⁶no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. ¹⁷So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. ¹⁸If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. ¹⁹I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. ²⁰Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. ²¹Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

Word of God.

Word of Life. Thanks be to God.
(Please stand.)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia

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Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

GOSPEL: Luke 14:25-33

The holy gospel according to...

Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁵Now large crowds were traveling with [Jesus;] and he turned and said to them,

²⁶"Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. ²⁷Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has

While Paul was in prison, he was aided by Onesimus, a man who had run away from Philemon, a slaveowner and a Christian friend of Paul. Paul told Onesimus to return to Philemon and encouraged Philemon to receive Onesimus back as a Christian brother.

Jesus speaks frankly about the costs of discipleship. Those who follow him should know from the outset that completing the course of discipleship will finally mean renouncing all other allegiances.

enough to complete it? ²⁹Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, ³⁰saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' ³¹Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³²If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. ³³So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

(Please be seated.)

SERMON

Pastor Rell Spickerman

(Please stand.)

HYMN OF THE DAY

Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song

#808

APOSTLES' CREED

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 to the dead. 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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

As scattered grains of wheat are gathered together into one bread, so let us gather our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of God's good creation.

A brief silence.

We pray for the church around the world and for the mission of the gospel. Refresh the hearts of your people, deepen our understanding of every good thing we share, and strengthen our partnerships in the faith. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For the well-being of the earth and all its creatures: for trees and forests, for all that will yield fruit this season, and for streams and other bodies of water. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For the nations and those in authority: for the elected leaders of our towns, states, and country, and for international organizations. Grant wisdom to those who govern and raise up citizens who make decisions in the best interest of their neighbors. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For all in need: for those who suffer from disease, who struggle with homelessness or food insecurity, for those whose family life is difficult, and for all in this community who need your care. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For this community of faith: for all our labors—begun, continued, and ended in you—that they glorify your holy name. Bless your people with the strength to live into their many vocations for the sake of the world. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

We give thanks for the saints who now rest from their labors especially Peter Claver, priest and missionary. Give us faith, like them, to love you with all our hearts, and by your mercy, bring us to everlasting life. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Gathered together in the sweet communion of the Holy Spirit, gracious God, we offer these and all our prayers to you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

*Renew our lives
that we may
welcome and
care for one
another and
that we may
live and serve
within the
greater com-
munity of
Negaunee and
the world,
witnessing to
others your
abundant love,
grace, and
welcome.*

SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

(Please be seated.)

MEAL

OFFERING

OFFERING HYMN

Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am

#814

(Please stand.)

OFFERING PRAYER

Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise We praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SONG

Holy, Holy, Holy

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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

(Please be seated.)





1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
 2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
 3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
 you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
 e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

COMMUNION HYMNS

Will You Come and Follow Me

#798

Let Us Ever Walk With Jesus

#802

(Please stand.)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of the abundant table, you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey. Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace. And may the holy Trinity, + one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love. Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace, with Christ beside you.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF September 4—September 11, 2022

* BIRTHDAYS:

Happy 94th Birthday to *Lillian Rivers* on September 6th.

Happy 84th Birthday to *Charlene Kivisto* on September 10th.

Happy 88th Birthday to *Nancy Mager* on September 11th.

* **FELLOWSHIP HOUR:** Are you willing to help with Fellowship hour? Donations are needed such as bakery, crackers, cheese, fruit, or whatever suits your fancy-and cleanup! Your Fellowship Hour coordinator for September is Connie Lindblom & the Choir. Please contact her with your date & item. Phone (906) 475-6139.

* **GOD'S WORK OUR HANDS SUNDAY,** September 11 – *Project Lift Up Ukraine.* Tiffany Ampe will join us for the Sunday morning worship as a guest speaker regarding her & her husband Joe's efforts to deliver medical supplies to Ukrainian refugees. They will take a humanitarian flight to Poland on September 19 with bags full of medical supplies. We can help by collecting these supplies to assist with this project. **Items needed are:** 1. turnstiles (these are tourniquets); 2. first aid kits (larger EMT kits) & backpack first aid kits;

Happy
 Birthday



3. raincoats (vinyl one size that can be worn over clothing and a backpack);
4. shoes (all kinds! When the Russians force civilians out, they make them strip completely naked They walk without even undergarments or shoes);
5. anti-burn preparations; **6.** thermal underwear (winter is coming and there is heat insecurity with the gas issues); **7.** backpacks; **8.** water filters; **9.** power banks (portable solar ones) which are used to charge phones and as a flash-light; **10.** quality vitamins as they can't get them there and nutrition is at a very low point. The donations may be placed in the totes marked **Medical Supplies for Ukraine** in the Fellowship Hall. Also, there is an excellent article from upmatters.com from April regarding Joe and Tiffany Ampe story about what they are doing to assist Ukraine refugees. The article also lists an Amazon gift registry under Jenny Stoudt, Uppers for Ukraine. God's Blessings to you all, *Linda Sjolund*



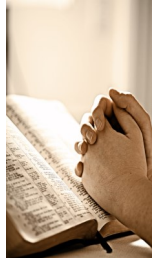
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**KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS**

**Pray For:** *Nancy Burton, Betty Carilli, Kevin Carlson, Renae Carlson, Sue Cohan, Connie Foster, Dan Hendrickson, Peggy Jackson, Tom Johnson, Betty Kinnunen, Dick & Charlotte Koski, Marian Kulju, Anna Laurila, Don & Mary Leece, Diane Nault, Don Palomaki, Stephanie Penhale, Joyce Peterson, Susie Pizzoli, Delores Reichel, Jim Ritzenhein, Jessica Roberts, and all COVID patients.*

**Our Shut-ins:** *Bettie Ahola, Jonelle Collins, Rudy Gagnon, Charlene Kivisto, Timothy Kjellman, Betty Lukkarienen, Leo Nirva, Vera Palomaki, Janet Penhale, Butch Pynnonen, Lillian Rivers, Paul Smith, Lynne Tossava, Richard Toyra.*

**Members in the Armed Service:** *Luke DeWitt, Adrianna Gustafson, Michael Gustafson, Spencer Harvala, Hunter (Jessica) Hetrick, Dennis Koski, Jacque Kurian, Tanner Romback, Trevor Romback, Michael Sedlock, Ethan Wallner, and all Armed Services Families.*



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SERVING IN WORSHIP: *Pastor Rell Spickerman*

Organist/Pianist/Musician: *Connie Scanlon*

Choir Director: *Connie Lindblom* / **Choir Accompanist:** *Vicki Lempinen*

Worship Services: Sun. @ 9:30 am / NO Monday 6 pm Service

Office Hours: 8 am-2 pm, (starting September6th), Mon.-Thurs. (or by appt.)

VOLUNTEERS ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

9:30 am USHERS/GREETERS — *Dan Collins*
 — *Fae Collins*

9:30 am LECTOR — *Alice Zinsser*

9:30 am COMMUNION — *Alice Zinsser*
 ASSISTANTS — *Bill Zinsser*

9:30 am Tech Team — *Tyler Moore*

6 pm USHERS/GREETERS — *NO SERVICE*
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6 pm LECTOR — *NO SERVICE*

6 pm COMMUNION — *NO SERVICE*
 ASSISTANTS

6 pm Tech Team — *NO SERVICE*

(COMMUNION SET-UP FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER — *Chyrl Hemmila & Christine Flis*)
 (PARAMENT CHANGES — *Alice Zinsser*)

SEPTEMBER'S MONTHLY MISSION

IN SEPTEMBER . . . we focus on *ELCA Disaster Relief (LDR)*, bringing God's hope, healing & renewal to people whose lives have been disrupted by disasters in the United States and around the world. When the dust settles and the headlines change, LDR stays to provide on-going assistance to those in need.



**Lutheran Disaster
Response**

This year, assistance includes wildfires in the western United States, Covid-19 disaster relief in Latin America, Europe & Africa, working with Ukrainian refugees. In this country, relief from hurricanes & severe storms. In the last year, approximately 55% funding went to international disasters, the remainder remained here. *"God is present in the violence, in the crisis, & in the moments of rest".* (Rev. Rachel Eskeren, LDR)

If you wish to give above-and-beyond to this mission, please use September's mission emphasis envelope from your offering envelope box or in some other way designate your gift. *Thank you for your generosity!*

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September 4, 2022 - September 11, 2022

YOU CAN FIND ALL ONLINE INFORMATION REFERENCED BELOW AT...

www.ImmanuelNegaunee.org

- Sunday** ***13th Sunday after Pentecost***
- 9:30 am - Worship Service
- 10:30 am - Coffee & Fellowship
- 7:30 pm - AA Group Meets (men & women)
- Monday** **OFFICE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF LABOR DAY**
- 6:00 pm - **NO** Worship Service
- Tuesday** - Office hours now are 8 am - 2 pm
- Wednesday** - 10:00 am - Bible Study (in-person)
- 6:00 pm - Choir Practice Begins
- Thursday** - 10:00 am - Quilting
- Friday** **OFFICE CLOSED**
- 10:00 am - Women's AA Group Meets
- 9th through 11th - Women's Fall Retreat @ Fortune Lake Bible Camp
- Saturday** - Women's Fall Retreat @ Fortune Lake Bible Camp
- Sunday** ***14th Sunday after Pentecost***
- Women's Fall Retreat @ Fortune Lake Bible Camp
- 9:30 am - Worship Service
- 10:30 am - Coffee & Fellowship
- 7:30 pm - AA Group Meets (men & women)

Thank you for giving \$ 718.10 in August for ***Scholarships for Liberian (Africa) Children.***
The recipients will be richly blessed with your generosity! Thank you!