

Offering

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Offertory: *Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful*..... page 86

Pastor: Merciful Father,

C: We offer with joy and thanksgiving what You have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of Your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of Him who offered Himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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You may be seated.

Ministration of Holy Communion

Pre-Communion Hymn: *Lamb of God*.....page 92

Communion Hymns: Grey Hymn Book #s 416, 686, 690,

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Pastor: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Closing Hymn: *America, Our Heritage* Grey Hymn Book #694

Postlude

Pastor: Steve Bang

Organist/Pianist: Melissa Phillips

Lectionary: Julie Reimann

Usher: John Haugen

Acolyte: Paris Reimann

See announcements on insert

Welcome to West Prairie Lutheran Church!

Lutheran Congregation in Mission for Christ (LCMC) Synod

40041 150th Ave., P.O. Box 9, Leland, IA 50453 Steve Bang, pastor

Please sign the attendance sheets located at the end of each pew. If you are a visitor, please include your mailing address, and we invite you to join us again!

8:30 a.m.—July 3, 2016

Service of Holy Communion for the 7th Sunday after Pentecost

All who are baptized in the Christian faith and have accepted Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior are invited to celebrate the Lord's Supper.

Prelude

Pastoral Greeting/Announcements

Please stand if you are able.

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Opening Hymn: *God of Our Fathers* Grey Hymn Book #687

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Prayer of the Day

(All) Lord of the nations, guide our people by Your Spirit to go forward in justice and freedom. Give us what outward prosperity may be Your will, but above all things, give us faith in You that our nation may bring glory to Your name and blessings to all peoples; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

You may be seated.

First Lesson: Isaiah 66:10-14

“Rejoice with Jerusalem and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice greatly with her, all you who mourn over her. For you will nurse and be satisfied at her comforting breasts; you will drink deeply and delight in her overflowing abundance.”

For this is what the LORD says: “I will extend peace to her like a river, and the wealth of nations like a flooding stream; you will nurse and be carried on her arm and dandled on her knees. As a mother comforts her child, so will I comfort you; and you will be comforted over Jerusalem.”

When you see this, your heart will rejoice and you will flourish like grass; the hand of the LORD will be made known to his servants, but his fury will be shown to his foes.

Psalm 66:1-7 (responsively)

L: Shout joyfully to God, all the earth;

C: Sing the glory of His name; make His praise glorious.

L: Say to God, “How awesome are Your works!

C: Because of the greatness of Your power Your enemies will give feigned obedience to You.

L: And will sing praises to You;

C: They will sing praises to Your name.”

L: Come and see the works of God,

C: Who is awesome in His deeds toward the sons of men.

L: He turned the sea into dry land;

C: They passed through the river on foot;

L: There let us rejoice in Him!

C: He rules by His might forever;

L: His eyes keep watch on the nations;

C: Let not the rebellious exalt themselves.

Second Lesson: Galatians 6:1-10, 14-18

Brothers and sisters, if someone is caught in a sin, you who live by the Spirit should restore that person gently. But watch yourselves, or you also may be tempted. Carry each other’s burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. If anyone thinks they are something when they are not, they deceive themselves. Each one should test their own actions. Then they can take pride in themselves alone, without comparing themselves to someone else, for each one should carry their own load. Nevertheless, the one who receives instruction in the Word should share all good things with their instructor.

Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows. Whoever sows to please their flesh, from the flesh will reap destruction; whoever sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life. Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.

May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. Neither circumcision nor uncircumcision means anything; what counts is the new creation. Peace and mercy to all who follow this rule—to the Israel of God. From now on, let no one cause me trouble, for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers and sisters.

Amen

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Gospel Lesson: Luke 10:1-20

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After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them two by two ahead of him to every town and place where he was about to go. He told them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field. Go! I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. Do not take a purse or bag or sandals; and do not greet anyone on the road.

“When you enter a house, first say, ‘Peace to this house.’ If someone who promotes peace is there, your peace will rest on them; if not, it will return to you. Stay there, eating and drinking whatever they give you, for the worker deserves his wages. Do not move around from house to house.

“When you enter a town and are welcomed, eat what is offered to you. Heal the sick who are there and tell them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’ But when you enter a town and are not welcomed, go into its streets and say, ‘Even the dust of your town we wipe from our feet as a warning to you. Yet be sure of this: The kingdom of God has come near.’ I tell you, it will be more bearable on that day for Sodom than for that town.

“Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the miracles that were performed in you had been performed in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. But it will be more bearable for Tyre and Sidon at the judgment than for you. And you, Capernaum, will you be lifted to the heavens? No, you will go down to Hades.

“Whoever listens to you listens to me; whoever rejects you rejects me; but whoever rejects me rejects him who sent me.”

The seventy-two returned with joy and said, “Lord, even the demons submit to us in your name.”

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The Sermon: Pastor Steve Bang

“Ultimate Freedom” Galatians 5:1

Hymn: How Great Thou Art.....LBW #532
Purple Note request by Caitlin Fjeld

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Prayer

Congregational response: Hear our prayer.

Sharing of the Peace.

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... ANNOUNCEMENTS ...

Today

9:30 a.m. Fellowship

9:45 a.m. Sunday School for all ages

7 p.m. Youth Group

Next Sunday, July 10

8:30 a.m. Worship Service

9:30 a.m. Fellowship

9:45 a.m. Sunday School for all ages

7 p.m. Youth Group

Prayer List

Jonie Bang, Irene Eide, Donnie Jensen, Elaine Ritz, Carver Moffat, Angela Haugen, Marlys Haugen, Mike Haack, Roger Peterson, Dale Zingg, Dorothy Kall, Ben Charlson, Monte Branstad, Blanche Durby, Eldora Reil. All prayer requests can be submitted to www.westprairiechurch.com/prayer; leave a message on the church answering system @ 641-567-3733; or call Pastor Steve @ 641-590-7894.

SERMON NOTES ...

“Ultimate Freedom” Galatians 5:1

1. “For _____ Christ has set us free. Stand firm and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.”
2. Our nation’s founders realized the importance of basing our freedom upon the set of laws that God gave to _____ at Mt. Sinai.
3. _____ brought the Israelites out of slavery. “I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.” (Deut. 5:6)
4. God was promising Israel that His _____ would be the foundation of their freedom and their blessings as a nation.
5. In the book, “None of These Diseases,” the author focuses on God’s promise to Israel that if they _____ Him, they wouldn’t experience the diseases Egypt did.
6. In the medical center in Vienna, one out of _____ women died of what was called “childbed fever” until it was understood why. After that it dropped to _____ percent.
7. Israel had come to the mountain where their freedom would be based on God’s Laws. And freedom should be celebrated with _____.
8. God set off His fireworks but they are so scary that the people _____ for their lives.
9. Why would God create this kind of atmosphere? First of all, God _____ their hearts. He knew they’d be hard-hearted and rebellious.
10. God also wanted to send them a message that He is _____ and they are not.
11. Someone once said, “The 10 commandments will keep you out of jail. But they won’t keep you out of _____.”
12. “... no one is justified before God by the law, for the righteous shall live by _____.”
13. Jesus takes us, filthy as we are, and makes us into _____ creations. (II Cor. 5:17)