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Pastor: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Closing Hymn: *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us* Grey Hymn Book #601

Postlude

Pastor: Steve Bang

Organist/Pianist: Melissa Phillips

Usher: Steve Reimann

Lectionary: Faith Finer

Acolyte: Faith Finer

... ANNOUNCEMENTS ...

Today,

9:30 a.m. Fellowship

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

7 p.m. Youth Group

Next Sunday, August 21

9:30 a.m. Fellowship

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

7 p.m. Youth Group

Prayer List — Jonie Bang, Candy Johnson, 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.

Welcome to West Prairie Lutheran Church!

Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ (LCMC)

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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.—August 14, 2016

Worship Service for the 13th Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Pastoral Greeting

Please stand if you are able.

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Opening Hymn: *I Love Your Kingdom, Lord*..... LBW #368

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Prayer of the Day

(All) Almighty and ever-living God, You have given great and precious promises to those who believe. Grant us the perfect faith which overcomes all doubts, through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

You may be seated.

First Lesson: Jeremiah 23:16-29

Thus says the LORD of hosts, “Do not listen to the words of the prophets who are prophesying to you. They are leading you into futility; they speak a vision of their own imagination, not from the mouth of the LORD. They keep saying to those who despise Me,

“The LORD has said, “You will have peace”; and as for everyone who walks in the stubbornness of his own heart, they say, ‘Calamity will not come upon you.’

“But who has stood in the council of the LORD, that he should see and hear His word? Who has given heed to His word and listened? Behold, the storm of the LORD has gone forth in wrath, even a whirling tempest; it will swirl down on the head of the wicked. The anger of the LORD will not turn back until He has performed and carried out the purposes of His heart; in the last days you will clearly understand it.

“I did not send *these* prophets, but they ran. I did not speak to them, but they prophesied. But if they had stood in My council, then they would have announced My words to My people, and would have turned them back from their evil way and from the evil of their deeds.

“Am I a God who is near,” declares the LORD, “And not a God far off? Can a man hide himself in hiding places so I do not see him?” declares the LORD. “Do I not fill the heavens and the earth?” declares the LORD.

“I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy falsely in My name, saying, ‘I had a dream, I had a dream!’ How long? Is there *anything* in the hearts of the prophets who prophesy falsehood, even *these* prophets of the deception of their own heart, who intend to make My people forget My name by their dreams which they relate to one another, just as their fathers forgot My name because of Baal? The prophet who has a dream may relate *his* dream, but let him who has My word speak My word in truth. What does straw have *in common* with grain?” declares the LORD. “Is not My word like fire?” declares the LORD, “and like a hammer which shatters a rock?

Psalm 119:81-88 (responsively)

L: My soul faints with longing for Your salvation,

C: but I have put my hope in Your word.

L: My eyes fail, looking for Your promise;

C: I say, “When will You comfort me?”

L: Though I am like a wineskin in the smoke,

C: I do not forget Your decrees.

L: How long must Your servant wait?

C: When will You punish my persecutors?

L: The arrogant dig pitfalls for me;

C: contrary to Your law.

L: All Your commands are trustworthy;

C: help me, for men persecute me without cause.

L: They almost wiped me from the earth,

C: but I have not forsaken Your precepts.

L: Preserve my life according to Your love,

C: and I will obey the statutes of Your mouth.

Second Lesson: Hebrews 11:17-31

By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was offering up his only begotten *son*; *it was he* to whom it was said, “IN ISAAC YOUR DESCENDANTS SHALL BE CALLED.” He considered that God is able to raise *people* even from the dead, from which he also received him back as a type. By faith Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau, even regarding things to come. By faith Jacob, as he was dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph, and worshiped, *leaning* on the top of his staff. By faith Joseph, when he was dying, made mention of the exodus of the sons of Israel, and gave orders concerning his bones.

By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden for three months by his parents, because they saw he was a beautiful child; and they were not afraid of the king’s edict. By faith Moses, when he had grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh’s daughter, choosing rather to endure ill-treatment with the people of God than to enjoy the passing pleasures of sin, considering the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt; for he was looking to the reward. By faith he left Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king; for he endured, as seeing Him who is unseen. By faith he kept the Passover and the sprinkling of the blood, so that he who destroyed the firstborn would not touch them. By faith they passed through the Red Sea as though *they were passing* through dry land; and the Egyptians, when they attempted it, were drowned.

By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the harlot did not perish along with those who were disobedient, after she had welcomed the spies in peace.

Please stand

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Gospel Lesson: Luke 12:49-53

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“I have come to cast fire upon the earth; and how I wish it were already kindled! But I have a baptism to undergo, and how distressed I am until it is accomplished! Do you suppose that I came to grant peace on earth? I tell you, no, but rather division; for from now on five *members* in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three. They will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.”

Response: *Praise to You, O Christ* page 83

You may be seated.

The Sermon: Pastor Steve Bang

Hymn: *Thou, Whose Purpose Is to Kindle* Grey Hymn Book #576

Please stand

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Sharing of the Peace.

You may be seated.

Offering

Please stand.

Offertory: *Create In Me a Clean Heart* page 96

Prayer

