

43rd Annual Fall Event Worship Bulletin September 22, 2024

Centered in the peaceful North Dakota Badlands, we welcome all generations to be renewed in Christ.

Join us at one of our upcoming events... Go to www.badlandsministries.org to register today!

Harvest Festival - October 6th

We love fall at camp, and you should too! Bring the whole family out to carve pumpkins, play carnival games, enjoy a hay ride, and so much more! Join us in the Dining Hall from 1PM-3PM. This event is free and open to the public.

Fall Crafting Retreat—November 22nd - 24th

Enjoy a weekend in the badlands while finishing those holiday craft. Delicious food, massages, relaxation, and time to grow closer together. Check out our website for registration details and cost.

Camp Christmas - December 7th

Join us in celebrating the true reason of the season... the birth of Jesus Christ. This year, we plan to be back in our dining hall, Bethlehem, with Christmas musical performances by local groups and individuals followed by a Christmas hymn sing. As always, this family fun event is free of charge.

Welcome to worship! For wherever two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them. - Matthew 18:20

Prelude Music

Welcome & Announcements - Brent Seaks, Executive Director

Invocation & Opening Prayer

Song of Praise - "This Is My Father's World"

This is my Father's world, And to my list'ning ears
All nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world; I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; His hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world; The birds their carols raise; The morning light, the lily white, declare their maker's praise. This is my Father's world: He shines in all that's fair. In the rustling grass I hear him pass; He speaks to me ev'rywhere.

This is my Father's world; Oh, let me ne'er forget
That, though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet.
This is my Father's world; Why should my heart be sad?
The Lord is king, let the heavens ring; God reigns, let earth be glad!

Confession and Absolution

Most merciful God, we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Prayer of the Day

<u>Scripture Reading</u> - (Printed on the insert. Please be seated)

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Song - "Sanctuary"

Lord prepare me, to be a sanctuary pure and holy, tried and true. With thanksgiving, I'll be a living Sanctuary for you.

Give me ears Lord to hear your voice for words of wisdom, encouragement too. Take my Spirit, and Lord please fill it with patience to wait on You (Repeat 1st Verse)

Gospel Reading:

L: The gospel according to John 15: 1-12 C: Glory to you, O Lord.

L: The gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon - Chris Moe, Associate Director

Song of the Day - "Amazing Grace"

Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound, That saved a wretch like me.... I once was lost but now am found, Was blind, but now, I see.

T'was Grace that taught my heart to fear. And Grace, my fears relieved. How precious did that Grace appear, the hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils and snares we have already come. T'was Grace that brought us safe thus far...and Grace will lead us home.

The Lord has promised good to me, His word my hope secures. He will my shield and portion be, as long as life endures.

When we've been here ten thousand years bright shining as the sun. We've no less days to sing God's praise then when we've first begun.

Offering / Special Music

Apostles' Creed (please stand)

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

L: Lord in Your Mercy,... C: ...hear our prayer

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

Sharing of the Peace:

L: The Peace of the Lord be with you all. C: And also with you.

Song - "Great is Thy Faithfulness"

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father; There is no shadow of turning with Thee; Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not; As Thou hast been, Thou forever will be.

Refrain:

Great is Thy faithfulness!
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see.
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, Sun, moon and stars in their courses above Join with all nature in manifold witness To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love. (Refrain)

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! (Refrain)

Dismissal

L: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord C: Thanks be to God. And we will!

Many Thanks Today To...

- God for another successful year of ministry
- All those who pray for and support this ministry
- Melissa Schillo for playing the piano, our camp summer staff for helping with our worship service today, and our year-round staff for all their work in preparing for and hosting this event at camp
- Fall Event Chair Belinda Urlacher, the men of First Lutheran in Beach who cook our delicious BBQ chicken, our Summer Cook Beth Nistler for making buns and bars, the folks from Medora Lutheran who helped serve our lunch, Kristy Olstad, Anna Moe, and Lebanon Lutheran Lefse Ladies for providing lefse, and all of our volunteers who plan and work so hard to make the Fall Event successful.
- Our auctioneers and staff from Pifer Auction & Realty including Andy Mrnak, Jim Sabe, and Ali Pierce as well as Gordy Krance from Krance Auction Service.
- All the individuals and businesses who contributed to our silent or live auctions
- All those who purchase items or donate today to support our ministry

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Psalm of the Day:

Psalm 139:13-14

¹³For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb. ¹⁴ I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well.

1Corinthians 13

¹³ If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. ² And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. ³ If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, ^[a] but do not have love, I gain nothing.

⁴Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant ⁵ or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; ⁶ it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. ⁷ It bears all things, believes all

things, hopes all things, endures all things.

⁸ Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. ⁹ For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; ¹⁰ but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. ¹¹ When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. ¹² For now we see in a mirror, dimly, ^[b] but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. ¹³ And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

Matthew 28:16-20

¹⁶ Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷ When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. ¹⁸ And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." ^[2]