

SUNDAY SERVICE ORDER AND ANNOUNCEMENTS, MAY 17, 2020

SERVICE ORDER

MAY 17, 2020 KRLC MINI-WORSHIP

THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

Opening music: Carol Carlson

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

Welcome and announcements

Prayer: Almighty and ever-living God, you hold together all things in heaven and on earth. In your great mercy, receive the prayers of all your children, and give to all the world the Spirit of your truth and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Scripture: John 14:15-21 Ed Lee

‘If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

‘I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.’

Sermon

Solo: Helene Hedlund

“The Lord is My Shepherd”

Prayer: Holy Spirit, make Yourself known to us as our Advocate, Helper, and Comforter. Be powerfully present with those who are ill, and bring healing to this world that you so much love. Protect and strengthen all who work in the health care field and in other essential services, and watch over those who live alone or are especially vulnerable. Guide leaders in government, industry, church, education, and medicine, so that wise and life-giving decisions are made. Keep alive within us the reality of Your power over all that threatens us, and give us your peace, your hope, and your strength. Amen.

Benediction

Closing music/credits: Scott Shelerud and Anne Lu Hovis “Lean on Me”

WORSHIP LEADERS

Pastor Susan Berge

Lector: Ed Lee

Soloist: Helene Hedlund

Musicians: Carol Carlson, Scott Shelerud, Anne Lu Hovis

Videographer: Scott Shelerud

ANNOUNCEMENTS

UPDATE FROM THE WORSHIP COMMITTEE

The Worship Committee met virtually on Monday, May 4 and had a productive and creative meeting. A few take-aways of interest:

*We will begin filming much of the worship service back within the sanctuary, starting Sunday, May 10. Very few people will be present, all at appropriate social distances, and the church will be disinfected before and after. We believe this will allow for a little better filming experience, as well as providing the comfort of seeing the sanctuary! But please note---the building remains closed apart from this one exception!!

*There will be an opportunity to celebrate Holy Communion virtually, within your home, on Pentecost, May 31. We will likely continue such a monthly experience as long as our present situation continues. More information will be available prior to that service.

*We hope to provide red begonias for pick up on Pentecost Sunday, as if we were meeting at church together. Again, more information will be available prior to the 31st.

* At present, there are no plans in place for in-person congregational worship through the month of May and likely beyond that. When we do begin to gather again, every precaution will be taken, and likely a virtual worship experience will also remain an option. We are currently forming a congregational Smart Team, at our Synod's request, to advise the Church Council on these matters.

KNIFE RIVER PRAYER LIST:

In need of healing: Veronica Persons, Susan Anderson, Elsa Keeler, Becca Kuechle, Les Bolen, Corrinne Sutherland, Fred Wright, Reid Carson, Kayla Davidson, Archie Moore, Pastor John Reppe, Gary Swanson, Faith Swanson, Seth Goodnature, Pat Hovis, Audrey Goplin, Tom and Geneva Healy, Sarah Monaghan

Special circumstances: Jacques Basson (Anne Lu's brother, who is working with Covid-19 patients in Dubai.)

Serving in military abroad: Austin Morreau, Britton Harris

Long Term Concerns: Sue Sigel, Laurie Jackson, DeWayne and Maurine Rubedor, Jason Russo and family, David Pierce, Jan Moon, Pat Hanson, Pat Levenske, Dani Mattson, Lyle Northey, Leif Zmolek, Kane Bolen, Aspen Winbigler, Deb Allert

NO SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES IN CHURCH BUILDING THIS WEEK

ONLINE THIS WEEK

Sunday, May 17-Virtual Worship

10:30 AM-Smart Team meeting online

2:00 PM-Virtual Confirmation

Monday, May 18- 10 AM-Staff meeting online

6:30 PM-W/ELCA meets online

Tuesday, May 19- 9:00 AM-Lectio Divina/Dig Deeper online

Wednesday, May 20-online midweek devotion and announcements

Sunday, May 24- Virtual Worship

Newsletter Deadline for June newsletter

Sunday, May 31-Pentecost worship! We will celebrate Holy Communion virtually. And there will be red begonias available to pick up outside the Church to celebrate the Holy Spirit!

10 AM-Council meets

W/ELCA update and meeting date change

Our Women's Group met two afternoons in a row during April online, once for a business meeting, to appropriation generous gifts to charities, and once for a devotion/study/discussion time. Both were well attended for online meetings. We changed the date for our online May meeting from that in the newsletter; we will NOT meet on May 12 at 4 PM. We WILL meet on Monday(yes, Monday), May 18, at 6:30 PM. We hope this time slot will allow even more to participate as they would like!

COVID-19 COMMUNITY EFFORTS..UPDATE FROM DR. ANNE SKADBERG

Dear friends,

Thank you everyone for hunkering down and following the guidelines as laid out by the state. The plan is working to suppress the surge for the time being. We understand one is still coming, but hopefully we will be entering it with a bit more preparation and that it will be moderated in it's numbers. Plans A, B, C, and many more, have been made and we hope as we move into the phase of functioning in the presence of the virus we can stay in the less drastic plans. On that note, thank you mask makers, that will help and as you know they are being used!

In the clinics we have started delivering a lot of care by video and phone, and while different, we are finding it very effective for many things and anticipate we will continue to use it for those things after this passes. There remain things that are best or necessary to see in person and we do that. I see maybe one to three people in person a day right now. We are making our best effort to keep our clinics clean and safe places so if you are having a problem that you think should be addressed don't ignore it, particularly if is it something that could become complicated if ignored. We ask that people call ahead and review issues with triage staff so that we may direct them to the best channel. Often we begin to address with a virtual visit with phone or video and then the physician determines if the person needs to be seen or have further testing..

Certainly with COVID symptoms we are asking people to call ahead and we will direct to mobile testing sites or to the proper care site. If things ramp up, we will have a system for home hospital care as well trying to keep people in their homes while being monitored remotely. In the future this system may be used for folks with heart and pulmonary disease. We are having more advanced care planning discussions with people as well so that we are respecting their wishes.

I work with the Essentia system, but as I understand it, the above also holds true for the St. Lukes system.

As we move into things likely opening up a bit, it will remain and actually become more important that the elderly and those with risk factors continue to socially distance. There may be increased need for assisting with shopping, etc. So please ask for assistance if that would be helpful. And continue to pick up the phone to visit so we don't have social isolation.

We will be able to learn in the next few weeks how countries like Norway and Germany fare as they open up a bit. Chris keeps up with the Norwegian newspapers and his family. They locked down early and were able to mitigate their numbers, and now are opening up schools.

So thank you everyone for doing your part, it is making a difference. Continue to be smart, innovative, and patient as we move forward. This will require us to do things differently than we're used to for awhile.

Keep praying!... particularly for the scientists and the vaccine process.

Please don't hesitate to call with questions. 340-6485 or 834-5901

Take care,
Anne

If you are ill or at risk and in need of shopping assistance for groceries or supplies, please call Laura Stone and she will coordinate with others who have offered to help, obtaining those supplies and getting them to you. 834-4916.

Additional note from Pastor: David and Linda Grong can also get groceries or supplies, 507-828-9611

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MASK MESSAGE FROM JOANIE LEE : Currently we have made and given out to friends and family over two hundred masks. Another 130 have been donated to nursing homes and assisted living. We continue to make them and the masks are available to anyone wanting them. If anyone has a supply of 1/4 inch elastic we'd love to use it! . Contact Joanie at 834-5596 or joanielee14@gmail.com

OFFERINGS

Please remember to continue to support the church through your mailed in offerings! P.O. Box 218, Knife River, MN 55609

WHO ARE WE MISSING?

We are attempting to cast our net wide in sending out these emails, along with postings on Facebook and our church website. Additionally, we are sending snail mail copies to those who are without online resources. If you know of someone we are missing, please let us know, so we may include them too!

CHILDREN'S CHURCH AND KID'S CONNECT

All students should be receiving weekly mailings with lessons and craft ideas from Lawrence Burkhard and Randi Alreck. We hope they are proving meaningful and inspiring! Let Lawrence know if you should be receiving them and aren't.
