

March 22, 2020

SERVICE FOR MARCH 22

Introduction:

Welcome to our Knife River Lutheran Church virtual mini-worship. Since we can't connect to worship in person, we are trying to bring a portion of worship to you in your home. Please be patient with us, we are new at this and should improve with time and practice. Check your email for written copies of the Scriptures, the prayers, and announcements.

Invocation

Scripture

2 Timothy 1:3-7

Thanksgiving and Encouragement

I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

Matthew 22:34-40

The Greatest Commandment

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. 'Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?' He said to him, ' "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind." This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: "You shall love your neighbour as yourself." On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.'

Sermon (Enclosed)

Prayer

Holy God, bless us in loving You and in loving our neighbors and in loving ourselves. 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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

KNIFE RIVER PRAYER LIST:

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

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

REMEMBER THE HUNGRY

March is Food Share month for local food shelves, with gifts matched by state corporations. Please remember to donate food or money to our Food shelf.

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LSS LUNCHEON: Lutheran Social Services luncheon that supports the youth. If you would like to attend this luncheon on May 7th, please let Sharon Shelerud, sharonmn@aol.com, know. This is a fun event at Greysolon Ballroom that supports a great cause. We will meet at Church at 10:45 to car pool. Check in is at 11:30, with lunch served at noon. The event is free. Donations are accepted for helping youth reach their potential.

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NEW MEMBERS SUNDAY: Are you interested in joining Knife River Lutheran Church? If so, please let the Pastor know, so we can organize a Sunday for recognizing and welcoming new members!

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OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK Today, Sunday, March 22, is still Newsletter Deadline. Please get articles to Kay for the April newsletter.

No scheduled activities at the church this week.