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The Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

August 3, 2014

Special Guest: Rev. Ron Stehr

VISITORS – WE WELCOME YOU to this house of prayer this morning. May you feel at home among friends as we worship together. We invite you to sign your name in the guest book in the back of the church and hope you will return again soon.

Prelude
Welcome
Ringing of the Bell

Opening Hymn: #809, "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

An Act of Adoration *(spoken in unison)*

Almighty God, before whose presence the angels veil their faces, with reverence and love we acknowledge Your glory and worship You, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, eternal Trinity. Blessing and honor and glory and power be unto our God, forever and ever. Amen.

An Act of Confession

P: O God our Father, since You have set forth the way of life for us in Your beloved Son, we confess with shame our slowness to learn of Him, our failure to follow Him, our reluctance to bear the cross.

C: Have mercy on us and forgive us, O Lord.

P: Forgive us the poverty of our worship, our neglect of fellowship and of the means of grace, our hesitating witness for Christ, our evasion of responsibility in Your service, our imperfect stewardship of Your gifts.

C: Have mercy on us and forgive us, O God.

P: Forgive us that so little of Your love has reached others through us, that we have been thoughtless in our judgments, hasty in condemnation, grudging in forgiveness, slow to seek reconciliation, unwilling to help our neighbors as we ought.

C: Have mercy on us and forgive us, O Lord.

Have mercy on us, O God, according to Your steadfast love; according to Your abundant mercy blot out our transgressions. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquity, and cleanse us from our sin. Create in us clean hearts, O God, and put a new and right spirit within us.

Announcement of Grace

P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

C: Amen.

Introit of the Day, prayed responsivelyworship insert

Hymn of Praise: #524, "How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds"

Collect of the Day, spoken by Pastor

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 55:1-5

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Epistle Romans 9:1-5

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel Matthew 14:13-21

Responses

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 14th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

(The Gospel is read.)

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ!

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Hymn of the Day: #814, "O Bless the Lord, My Soul"

Sermon: "Given The Big Picture, It's To Be Expected"
(Revelation 12)

Offering

An Act of Supplication

P: Almighty God, because You have committed to Your people the ministry of intercession, hear us as we pray for others, and grant that our hearts may be filled with peace and love....

P: For Your holy Church throughout all the world, that You would bestow on the ministers of Your Word and Sacraments the abundance of Your grace and truth and confirm Your people in the faith of the Gospel, that Christ may be exalted as head over all,

C: we ask You to hear us, good Lord.

P: For Your people here and everywhere, that You would inspire them with love for Your house, zeal in Your service, and joy in the advancement of Your kingdom,

C: we ask You to hear us, good Lord.

P: For the nations, that You would breathe on them the spirit of peace and understanding; and for those in authority, that You would inspire in them a true desire for peace and love of concord,

C: we ask You to hear us, good Lord.

P: For all our schools, universities, and seminaries, and for all who teach in them and all who learn, that in humility of heart they may ever look to You, the fountain of all wisdom,

C: we ask You to hear us, good Lord.

P: For all in sickness and distress, especially: _____, that You would give distress to the weary, relief to the suffering, and comfort to the dying,

C: We ask You to hear us, good Lord.

P: For all in this congregation who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries this week: _____, that they would ever look to You as the Source from Whom all blessings flow.

C: We ask you to hear us, good Lord.

P: For all Your servants who have departed this life in Your faith and fear we give You hearty thanks, and we pray You to give us grace to follow them as they followed Christ. Bring us, with them, to those things which eye has not seen, nor ear heard, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

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Benediction

Closing Hymn: #894, "For the Fruits of His Creation"

Chimes/Silent Prayer

Announcements

Postlude

FLOWERS TODAY

The flowers in church this morning are in thanksgiving for Wayne and Kathy Voth's 40th Wedding Anniversary. We thank the Voths for helping to add beauty to our worship space this morning. May the Lord continue to bless their marriage in Christ Jesus!

EMERGENCY CONTACT THIS WEEK

For emergency assistance while Pastor Sorenson is on vacation, you may contact Pastor Ron Stehr at 388-4822. All other messages should be left on Pastor Sorenson's answering machine; he will respond to them as soon as possible when he returns home.

LAWN MOWING

Brad Diercks is interested in hearing from those who would be willing to help out with lawn mowing during the rest of the summer season. If interested, please see him after church or give him a call at 923-4183. Thanks.

