

### ORDER OF LIVE/ONLINE WORSHIP

### **PRELUDE**

"Aint A' That Good News" (arr. Jacqueline Hairston)

### WELCOME

### **CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God. Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.** 

### Gracious God.

have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of  $\pm$  Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

### Amen.

### HYMN

"All Are Welcome" (St. 1-4)

ELW # 641

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Loving God,

You have invited us all to the great heavenly banquet that has no end and you have given each of us a robe of righteousness. Give us therefore grateful hearts that celebrate all that you have done to bring us into your kingdom, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

### SONG

"At the River" (arr. Aaron Copland)

### **READING**

Matthew 22:1–14

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. "But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

### **SERMON**

"Party Crashers"

### **OFFERING**

### **OFFERING OF MUSIC**

"On Jordan's Stormy Banks" (Samuel Stennett, Christopher Miner)

### **OFFERING PRAYER**

O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

### 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.

### **BEFORE YOU GO**

### BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and  $\oplus$  give you peace. **Amen.** 

### **HYMN**

"We Are Marching in the Light of God"

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### **SENDING**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. Thanks be to God!

### **POSTLUDE**

### THE PASTORS OF ST. ANDREW:

### THE MUSICIANS FOR TODAY'S WORSHIP:



As a community of faith we are connected through joy, sorrow, worship, and prayer. Please pray for the people listed below. Your prayers are greatly appreciated!

### We ask for God's loving embrace to hold all those who mourn, especially:

- » Harry, Charlie, Cole, and Abby Lawrence on the death of their wife and mother
- · Richard Bouta on the death of his father
- Mary Salyards and family on the death of her mother
- Jody Collis and family, on the death of their father John
- Julio and Sarah Rodriguez and family on the death of Julio's mother, Delcy Rodriguez

### **Prayers of Mourning:**

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord; O Lord, hear my voice. Psalm 130:1–2

For I am convinced that neither death nor life... nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 8:38–39

Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die'. **John 11:25–26** 

# As we are praying for all members of the St. Andrew community, this week we pray especially for God's comfort, healing, protection, and strength to be present with:

- Julane Anderson
- Sarah Gilbertson's mother
- · Nancy and Wayne Dale's daughter, Rachelle
- · Vaughn Schweitzer
- Kathy & Roger Schindel's brother-in-law, Nolen Turnage
- Tammi Ziesemann as she continues her cancer treatment

### **Long Term Prayers:**

- · Gordon Gilbert
- Kathy Hoagland
- Dave & Sherri Anderson's daughter, Sarah Anderson-Jacobson
- Ron Wolfbauer
- Dick Smith
- Paul & Marjean Skoog's sister-in-law, Lois
- Seeds of Support Mission in Haiti requests your ongoing prayers for our friends in Haiti. Haiti is experiencing a political and
  economic crisis that is producing widespread frustration among the population. Fuel shortages, food shortages, and general
  hopelessness are common. Please pray for Redemption Lutheran Church of Jacmel and all our friends there. Our mission will
  continue in evolving and vital ways to support their ministry.
- · All those in the military serving our country

### **General Prayers:**

Cast your cares on the Lord and he will sustain you. **Psalm 55:22a** 

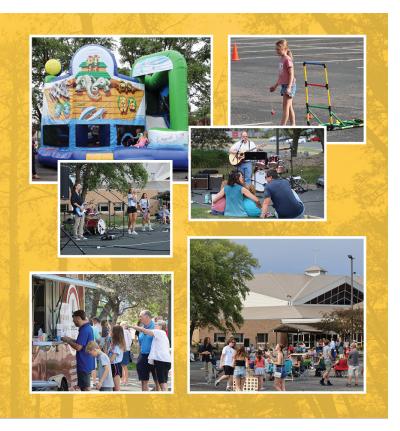
Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Matthew 11:28



# SUMMER SOCIALS

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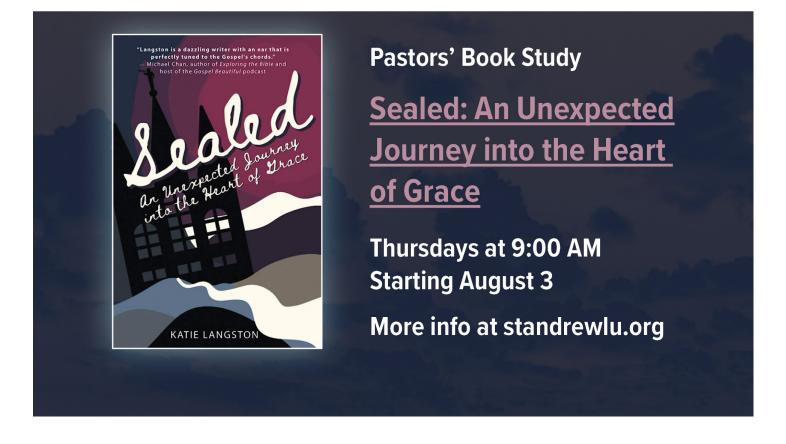
Food Truck, Family Activities, Fellowship, Entertainment, Campfire, S'mores & More!













# Wednesday Night Youth Group at LAKE RILEY Wednesday, Aug. 16, 7:00 PM Summer isn't over yet! Join us at Lake Riley Park Pavilion in Eden Prairie for treats and games to play. Come have some fun by the water!















# 2024 ELCA NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING

July 14-21, 2024 | New Orleans, Louisiana

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### **NOW HIRING**

# **Early Learning Aides Needed**

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We are growing and hiring at St. Andrew Early Learning Childcare! Now accepting applications for part-time/ after school Teacher Aides. Assist classroom teachers with children ages infants-preschoolers.

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