

STOCKHOLM LUTHERAN CHURCH

July 23, 2017

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

“Service of the Word”

GATHERING

* Hymn and page numbers refer to the red hymnal (“Worship”)*

GATHERING MUSIC Barb Froemming

WELCOME

GATHERING SONG *“How Firm a Foundation”* # 796

GREETING (From Second Corinthians 13, verse 13)

L: The peace of Jesus Christ, who was raised from the dead, be with you all.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER L: Let us pray,

All: Faithful God, most merciful judge, you care for your children with firmness and compassion. By your Spirit nurture us who live in your kingdom, that we may be rooted in the way of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD OF GOD

FIRST BIBLE READING Isaiah 44:6-8

PSALM (read responsively) Psalm 86:11-17

(The Psalms begin on page 339 in the red hymnal)

SECOND BIBLE READING Romans 8:12-25

SONG OF THE WORD *“Lord, Let My Heart”* # 512

GOSPEL VERSE **C: Praise the Lord! My Word shall accomplish what I want it to do, and succeed in the task for which I sent it. Alleluia!** (Isaiah 55:11)

GOSPEL BIBLE READING Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

SERMON *“Life Is NOT Fair”* Mr. James Hahn

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S GOODNESS AND LOVE

SONG: *“I Love to Tell the Story”* # 661

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PRAYERS (L: Lord, in your mercy; **C: Hear our prayer.**)

SHARING GOD’S PEACE WITH ONE ANOTHER

OFFERING—GIVING OUR LIVES TO GOD

OFFERING SONG *“Create in Me”* # 186

OFFERING PRAYER L: Let us pray. God of glory,

C: With great joy we worship you and lay before you these gifts, which you have first given us. Let our lives serve you only, and lead us always to our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, the bright and morning Star. Amen.

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BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG *“What a Friend”* # 742

DISMISSAL L: Go in Peace, share the Good News!

C: Thanks be to God!

SENDING MUSIC Barb Froemming

Welcome to all who gather here for Worship this morning! We give a special welcome to you if you are a guest with us today. Please worship with us again soon! If you are in search of a new church home, please contact Pastor Mark.

PRAYER CONCERNS – Duane Berglund, Darlene Dahlman, Baby Ivan Dahlman (parents Michelle and Aaron), Family / Friends of Brenda Hess (Sister of Mary Ann Ryan), Dan Howell, Mike Huro, Peggy Mahlstedt, Richard Olson (surgery recovery), Kerry Schmiesing and those serving in the armed forces as we pray for peace.

THANK YOU TO Mr. James Hahn for leading worship and preaching God’s Word today!

ALL-CHURCH DAY AT COMO ZOO! Please join us at 9:00 am on Saturday, August 19 for a time of fun and fellowship with your church family at Como Zoo! We will enjoy this wonderful zoo experience (which has free admission), and being together in Jesus name! Please sign up in the narthex (back of the church), and indicate if you would like us to make a lunch for you.

COFFEE / JUICE / TREATS / FELLOWSHIP Please join us downstairs after worship today, and each Sunday this Summer, for some good conversation as we enjoy a time to chat, and savor a tasty treat!

THANK YOU TO: Curtis and Betty Grundahl for providing and serving the coffee, juice and treats today!

PLEASE SIGN UP to provide and serve Coffee / Juice Fellowship on one of the Sundays this summer!

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STOCKHOLM PARADE ENTRY Stockholm is planning to have an entry in the Corn Carnival Parade this summer. They are seeking ideas, and people willing to be on the float, showing support for God’s ministry here at Stockholm! Contact Gwen Anderson, Tiffany Dahlman or Pastor Mark.

PASTOR MARK is taking vacation days and will be back in town August 4. Contact information for pastors providing emergency coverage is as follows: July 20-Aug 4: Pr. Joe Midthun (320-699-1045).

HOLY COMMUNION / ALTAR GUILD ASSISTANCE Are you interested in helping prepare the Lord’s Table for the gift of Holy Communion? If so, we could use one or two more people to serve on the Altar Guild. Ask Pastor Mark or Mary Ann Ryan.

MISSING A NECKLACE? A necklace was found in the offering plate, to claim/ for details talk to Deb Danielson!

SUNDAY SCHOOL needs 2 Sunday School teachers as well as substitute teachers. Please let June Dahlman-Hartl, Deb Danielson or Pastor Mark know if interested. Thank-you!