

ANNOUNCEMENTS

July Pulpit:

7/28: Brenda Carlson.

Thank you to Laura Saumer for filling in on piano today.

7/30: TNO will be an adventure to the Trophy Lodge Restaurant at the Mont Du Lac Resort in Superior, WI. We will meet at the church at 5:15 and head to the resort via Wrenshall and Hwy 23.

8/3: Ice Cream Social at Helen Bong's 2 p.m. 318 Granite Street. Sponsored by Barb.

8/4: BBQ Luncheon following worship in the Fellowship Hall. Donations received will go toward our next painting project, the former nursery. The luncheon is hosted by Session Members, Brenda Carlson and James Sheetz..

Coffee & Conversation servers are needed. Please sign up at Information Central.

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Brenda Carlson
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Presbyterian Church of Cloquet

Order of Worship
July 28, 2024

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE

Laura Saumer

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Brenda Carlson

THE WAVE OF PEACE

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord,
and all your faithful shall bless you.

The Lord upholds all who are falling
and raises up all who are bowed down.

You open your hand,
satisfying the desire of every living thing.

The Lord is just and kind,
The Lord is near to all who call on God.

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

We have been called to love our God with all of our heart, mind, strength and soul, and to love our neighbor as ourselves, but our lives are constricted and self-consumed. We have failed to love God, neighbor and ourselves as we should. Let us make the good confession before God and others.

***HYMN #169**

Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, you have commanded us to love you above all and to have no other gods. You have called us to love others as you love them. But we are personally and socially deformed by the love of other “gods”— the false gods of prosperity and materialism, of racial and ethnic privileging, of gender exclusivity, and of nationalistic imperialism. Forgive us our sins and transform us by your Spirit that we might learn to love as you love and to live as people who have been baptized as your own children. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

RESPONSE: *Jesus, Remember Me*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, hear the good news of the gospel—God’s radical forgiving, transforming and justice—seeking love will let us go, and is ever bringing resurrection and new life. Let us remember our baptisms and trust in God’s mercy to restore our right standing as God’s own. Thanks be to God!

GLORIA PATRI #581

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God. Open our ears and our hearts to your teachings, Lord, that we may be strengthened in our faith and equipped for ministry in your name. Amen,

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Ephesians 3: 14-21, Psalm: Psalm 14
Gospel: John 6: 1-21

MESSAGE

Brenda Carlson

***HYMN #688**

Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from the Brief Statement of Faith)
We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God’s image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community. But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator, Ignoring God’s commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truths, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God’s condemnation. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation. In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD’S PRAYER (Debts/Debtors)

Offering Invitation

Offertory

***Doxology #606**

***HYMN #515**

I Come With Joy

BENEDICTION

May the grace, hope, peace and love of God our Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer be with us all, now and always. Amen.

POSTLUDE

Laura Saumer