



Tri-County Ministry News

July — August 2022

From Deacon Tara

“O taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in him.”

—Psalm 34:8

Watermelon, fresh strawberries, cool popsicles on a hot day and so much more . . . these sweet treats remind me again and again of God’s goodness. They are a reminder that the Lord is indeed good.

“O taste and see that the Lord is good.”

There is something about the summer season that reveals to me the goodness of God too. A little child with popsicle juice dribbling down his chin. The gleeful giggles of children playing in their pools on a hot day. The smell of bbq grills wafting through the air.

“O taste and see that the Lord is good.”

If we look around during every season, we see the master creator at work. Snow gone. Fields being harvested. Birds returning. Wildlife playing in the water. It reminds me of the creation story and how at the end of each day God declared, “It is good.”

Yes, there are times in this broken world when it’s hard to see that goodness. We see so much war. We see so much violence. But the reality is that God is here even in the midst of that brokenness. God promises to never leave us or forsake us. And God weeps with us.

At the holy table, we are welcomed and claimed as God’s beloved children. God declares to each of us, “Broken for you, shed for you.” At this table of grace, God opens our eyes, ears and mouth to share God’s love, grace and mercy with this world.

And as you leave fed and forgiven, remember the words from Psalm 34.

“O taste and see that the Lord is good.”

Thanks be to God.

Deacon Tara

Parish News

Worship Schedule

Notes

We'll continue with the "two on, one off" worship schedule at least through August.

Note that there are occasional variations in the scheduling.

Sundays off:

July 3

OS Klotten, Trinity, Grace, First Presbyterian

July 24

Grace & OS McHenry

July 31

Presbyterian & Faith

August 14

OS Klotten & OS McHenry

August 21

Trinity & Grace

August 28

Presbyterian & Faith

Faith will be hosting the Hannaford community worship service at 10:30 on July 3.

McVille and Klotten will be participating in the worship in the park on July 17.

Annual parish worship service

Sunday, August 7

Coffee hour at 10:00

10:30 a.m.

Red Willow Bible Camp Chapel

Events at Red Willow Bible Camp

Red Willow has many opportunities for our kids this summer. Spots are still open; it's not too late to sign up. Please check out the website redwillowministries.com.

Family Camp

July 1-4

Registration on the website

Appreciation Supper

Thursday, July 14

6:00 in the retreat center

Music by Herlof Huso in the chapel after supper

Year-end Picnic

Sunday, August 14

11:00 — 4:00

Worship, picnic, and games for all ages

Quilts & More Auction

Saturday, August 27

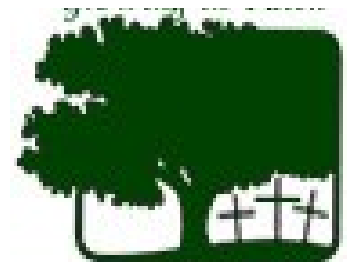
Silent Auction opens at 10

Lunch at 11:30

Live auction at 1:00

Raffle drawing at 2:30

(Raffle tickets available at TCM office and at RWBC)



The camp has an ongoing wish list. Right now, they could use bug spray and sunscreen. A big wish is for mowers and weed trimmers. Call the camp if you are interested in making such a gift.

Congregational News

Faith of Hannaford

Faith will be serving lunch on Saturday, July 2, from 11:00-1:00 and will also be holding a silent auction until 2:00, all as part of Hannaford's celebration. Then on Sunday, July 3, Faith will host the community worship service at 10:30. Pastor Jerry Rosin will lead the service.

Ushers: Debi B. & Nick M. on July 10; Calvin & Connie on July 17; Nolan & Connie on July 24. Kathy E & Jill H on August 14; Andrea W's on August 21.

Grace of Grace City

Confirmation service was held at Grace on June 19. Six confirmands affirmed their baptism: Kelsey Johnson, Tyler Johnson, Lily Larson, Cody Otto, Cooper Timm, and Sienna Topp.

Lutheran Church of McVille

Worship in August will be on Wednesday evenings at 7:00. Haley will be announcing dates for Vacation Bible School.

Our Savior's of McHenry

A special congregational meeting will be held Sunday, July 10, following the 10:30 worship service. The discussion will focus on the future of Our Savior's. Deacon Erin Power from the END Synod office will be present.

Rory James Herberg was baptized at Our Savior's on May 22. He is the son of Kelsey and Keith Herberg. He was born December 21, 2021 in Fargo. Baptismal sponsors were Breanna and Scott Herberg. We welcome Rory to the family of God.

The funeral for Walter Hoyt was held May 13 at Our Savior's. He passed away at home on May 9. Blessed be his memory.

Our Savior's of Kloten

The memorial service for Arvid Ophaug will be held at Our Savior's on Sunday, July 17, at 1:00. Arvid passed away in Grand Forks on May 23. Blessed be his memory.

Trinity of Binford

Midweek worship services in July, Wednesdays at 7:00. July 6 worship will be at the church; council will announce the site weekly (church or park). Please watch the e-news.

Josie Mae Clark was received into the family of God through the Sacrament of Baptism during on May 15. Josie is the daughter of Ciara and Ben Clark. She was born August 25, 2020 in Fargo. Baptismal sponsors were Alan & Amanda Grzadzielewski and Bonnie Skaufel.

The memorial service for Bill Rickford was held May 9 at Trinity. He passed away May 1 in Fargo. Blessed be his memory.

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