

Spirit of Joy Lutheran Church
Fourth Sunday After Pentecost
June 17, 2018



Welcome to Spirit of Joy!

God has gathered us together to live as God's beloved daughters and sons, and to:

WELCOME people *into a community of followers of Jesus Christ;*
GROW with one another *in faith and hope in Him;*
SEND out one another as Jesus' compassionate *servants in the world.*

We're glad that you have joined us for worship today to meet the God who meets us in the Risen Christ and the Holy Spirit of Joy. If you would like to know more about Spirit of Joy, please indicate your interest on the clipboards sitting in our chairs. You may also contact our church office at 333-2004, e-mail us at info@spiritofjoy.net, check out our website at www.spiritofjoy.net, follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/spiritofjoylutheran or on Twitter at @spiritofjoysf.

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Greeters/Ushers:

8:30am: Ryan & Emily Geraets

10:00am: Jon & Tricia Merrigan

Communion:

8:30am: Dennis & Mary Tranberg

10:00am: Amy Orr & Tracy Dahl-Webb

Reader:

8:30am: Peg Preston

10:00am: Leah Berdahl

Hosts: Jeanie Mayer, Donna Ver Wey, Karen Kruse

Spirit of Joy Nursery: Spirit of Joy welcomes all children to worship with their families. If small children need breaks, parents are welcome to use the nursery at any time Sunday morning. There is a remote access TV in the nursery so families may continue to listen to the worship.

Announcements

The mustard seed becomes a great shrub that shelters the birds, recalling ancient images of the tree of life. We'd expect a cedar or a sequoia, but Jesus finds the power of God better imaged in a tiny, no-account seed. It's not the way we expect divine activity to look. Yet the tree of life is here, in the cross around which we gather, the tree into which we are grafted through baptism, the true vine that nourishes us with its fruit in the cup we share. It may not appear all that impressive, but while nobody's looking it grows with a power beyond our understanding.



Spirit of Joy Summer Day Camp – Our week of onsite summer Day Camp will be July 16-19th. Again this year we will welcome counselors from NeSoDak Bible Camp who will serve as our leaders for the week. Mike Haddican is seeking volunteers to provide meals for counselors, housing for counselors and individuals to help with prep work and decorating. Email mike@spiritofjoy.net.

Hobby Leaders for Day Camp – Mike is inviting adults from the congregation to share their hobby with the children at Day Camp (July 16-19). The time would be from 1:15-2:15 each day. Interested in sharing your hobby with kids? Talk to Mike ASAP.



**COMMUNITY
BLOOD BANK**

Spirit of Joy will be hosting the Community Blood Bank Bloodmobile Sunday, June 24 from 9:00am-1:00pm. If you are 16 years of age or older, consider signing up on the connection center in the gathering space. The Community Blood Bank provides a safe, cost effective and reliable blood supply to 32 hospitals serviced in northwestern Iowa, southwester Minnesota, and southeaster South Dakota. This includes both Avera and Sanford Health. Contact the office with any questions.

First Annual Beanbag Tournament! Join us at the picnic for our first beanbag tournament. Come on your own or with a partner and we'll get you in the brackets All ages welcome!



Spirit of Joy Art Showcase! A Spirit of Joy partner **Art/Craft Display** will begin on Sunday, June 24th and conclude on Sunday, July 1st. You are encouraged to bring art or crafts you have made to display in our gathering space. This is also a chance for our younger partners to bring an art project they made in school this past year to display. You can drop off items anytime during the week of June 18-22.



Join our annual picnic fun next Sunday, June 24! Our 10:00 worship service will be held outside, and then we'll gather on the east lawn for our annual potluck picnic from 11-2. SoJ will provide friend chicken and water. Please bring the following items, as you're willing and able:



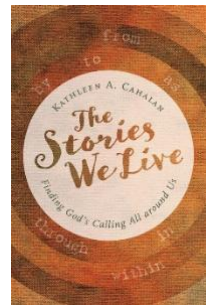
- Last names A-M: dessert
- Last names N-Z: side or salad
- Beverage(s) if you'd like something other than water to drink
- Plate(s), silverware, and napkin(s), to help us limit waste from disposable serving items. We will also have SoJ dishes, silverware, and napkins available for use.
- Lawn chair(s) or blanket(s) as desired

Please invite your neighbors and friends to any and all of these events (outdoor worship, picnic, blood drive)!

Offering Counters Needed! Spirit of Joy is looking to expand our offering counters team. Counters serve on a rotation schedule and count approximately once every 6 weeks. We are hoping to get enough new counters to expand this to 8-10 weeks. If you are interested in serving please contact Amy in the office at info@spiritofjoy.net or 333-2004.

Deacon Katherine is on sabbatical this summer. We wish her well and look forward to hearing her discoveries. Please keep her work and rejuvenation in your prayers.

Upcoming Retreats: Both the **Men's & Women's Retreat** this year will be in conjunction with our Creating a Culture of Calling Initiative. The theme will be "The Stories We Live: Finding God's Calling All Around Us". **The Men's Retreat will take place September 28-29 at NeSoDak Bible Camp and the Women's Retreat will take place October 12-13 at Joy Ranch.** Join us for wonderful fellowship, passionate worship experiences, and a lot of fun! Registration forms and sign-up can be found in the gathering space. Contact the office with any questions.



Opportunities for the Week:

Wednesday:

10:00am - Spirit of Joy Staff Meeting

Thursday:

6:30am - Thursday Men's Bible Study @ Fryn' Pan