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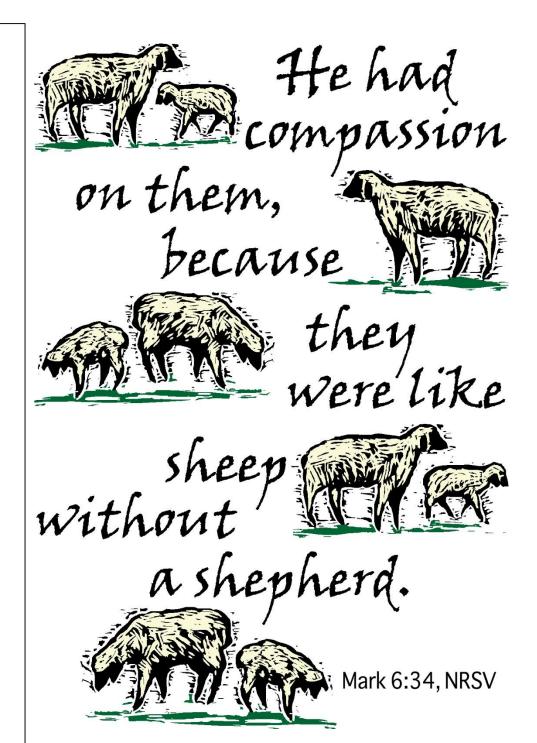
Prayer List

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Blessings! ted in the Evangelical
and Reformed Traditions
We are Sowing Seeds of Hope

in a Time of Chaos So We May All Be One



July 21, 2024

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Outdoor Drive-In Service: 8:00 a.m.

Sanctuary Service: 11:00 a.m.

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Tune your FM Radio to 107.5

11:00 am

8:00 am

Sanctuary Service

Announcements & Greetings

Prelude "Seed Scattered and Sown" Feiten

Todd Baldosser

*Opening Hymn

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

No. 56

(8 a.m. Verses 1 & 5)

- 1) For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies, For the love which from our birth over and around us lies, Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.
- 2) For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night, Hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light, Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.
- 5) For thy church that evermore lifteth holy hands above, Offering up on every shore one pure sacrifice of love, Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

*Call to Worship

Leader: We gather together in the name of Jesus Christ—

members of God's family, and brothers and sisters to one another.

All: There are no outsiders here among us, no one has any special standing or bragging rights.

Leader: For we have been brought together by the redeeming love of Jesus.

All: Let's join together in worship!

*Prayer of Invocation

All: Heavenly Father, thank You that Christ is building His Church, stone by living stone, into a holy Temple of God. Thank You that we have become part of it and have the indwelling Spirit of God as a guarantee. You started a good work in us, and we pray that You will continue to fashion, form, and transform us into the likeness of Christ, with every passing day. In Jesus' name we pray...

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 debts, As we forgive our debtors; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

*Gloria Patri No. 35

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Joys & Concerns Pastoral Prayer

Prayer Response "Hear Our Prayer, O Lord" No. 306
Hear our prayer, O Lord, hear our prayer, O Lord, incline thine ear to us, and grant us thy peace. Amen.

Special Music- Duet (11:00 a.m.) Diane Reef and Todd Baldosser "There Is a Longing" Quigley

Scripture Reading Ephesians 2:11-22

Scripture Reading Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Sermon Rev. Dr. Amelia Walker

Hymn (11:00 a.m.) "How Firm a Foundation" No. 618

- How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in God's excellent word!
 What more can be said, than to you God has said, to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?
- Fear not, I am with thee, oh, be not dismayed, for I am thy God, and will still give thee aid.
 I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand, upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.
- The soul that on Jesus still leans for repose,
 I will not, I will not desert to its foes;
 that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
 I'll never, no never, no never forsake!"

Invitation for Generosity and Faithful Giving

*Doxology No. 46

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly hosts: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

* Prayer of Thanksgiving

All: Accept our lives. O Lord, as well as our gifts. Let the spirit in which we give them be your Spirit. Let the use that is made of them be your use. Amen.

*Closing Hymn "They'll Know We Are Christians" No. 494
(8 a.m. Verses 1 & 4)

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord, we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord, and we pray that all unity may one day be restored:

Refrain

And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love, yes, they'll know we Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand, we will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand, and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land:

Refrain

4) All praise to the Father, from whom all things come, and all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son, and all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one:

Refrain

*Benediction

*Please join us in the singing of the Congregational Benediction

Go Now In Peace/Never be afraid/God will go with you/Each hour of ev'ry Day/Go now in Faith/Steadfast, strong and true/Know He will guide you in all you do. Go now in Love/And show you believe/Reach out to others/So all the world can see/God will be there/Watching from above/Go now in Peace/In Faith and in Love. Amen/Amen.

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Postlude

"Sing to the Mountains" Dufford

Todd Baldosser

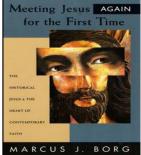
Lectionary Readings for July 21 through July 27

2 Samuel 7:1-14a, and Psalm 89:20-37 or Jeremiah 23:1-6 and Psalm 23 Ephesians 2:11-22; Mark 6:30-34,53-56 To our dear friends and visitors:

You are an important part of the worship and ministry that goes on here and we are thankful for your presence. Please sign the attendance pads on the tables. Thank you!

Please mark your calendar and plan to attend. We will have only an 11:00 a.m. service on Sunday, August 4, 2024 followed by a Congregational meeting.

Council is calling for a Congregational meeting for the purpose of voting to call a settled pastor, modifying the budget to accommodate the salary for the new pastor and suspending a sentence in our constitution to facilitate the call for our candidate, Rev. Dr. Stephen L. Swisher. The call for Rev. Swisher is recommended by the Search Committee and we whole heartedly endorse this call. Letters with more information will be sent to each member's home and will also appear in the chimes.



On Thursday, June 27, the **book study** group started a new book entitled "Meeting Jesus Again for the First Time, The Historical Jesus and the Heart of Contemporary Faith" "by Marcus Borg, author, writer, teacher and theologian. The book is available online in paperback. We meet each Thursday at 11am at the River Road Coffee House on the square in downtown Newark. In July, we will not meet on the fourth, but only on July 11, 18, and 25. Come join us as we learn more of the pre and post Easter Jesus.

Midsummer Game Night

We will be having a "game night" **tonight**, from 4:30 to 7:30 pm in the church meeting room. As before, please bring your own sack supper and a snack to share if you would like. Bring your favorite card or board game. Depending on attendees, we may have more than one game going at a time. Hope to see you there for some fun and fellowship.

Summer Mission Focus

The Lookup Christian Community Center has a faith based half day learning program for potty trained children aged 3 to 5 years. This fall will be the third year for students. They receive no state funding but are supported by donations from area churches. They anticipate about 15 students this fall. We can help by donating glue sticks, crayons, markers, colored pencils, child size round tip Fiskars/scissors, tissues, and moistened hand wipes (not hand sanitizer bottles). A bin will be in the fellowship room to collect these items if you would like to assist with this program. We will collect items through the end of August.

Lammers Memorial Sunday

Rev. Louis H. Lammers was pastor of St. John's Church from 1922 until his sudden death in 1960. He married his wife, Bertha, shortly after graduating from Eden Theological Seminary and shortly before beginning his pastorate here. They had 4 children who grew up in St. John's and Newark.

Rev. Lammers was much loved by this congregation and by this community. The church grew so much during his pastorate, a move to this brand new sanctuary was necessary in 1957. More fellowship groups were formed, new ways of reaching out to the surrounding community were performed, a son of the congregation was in seminary preparing for ordination.

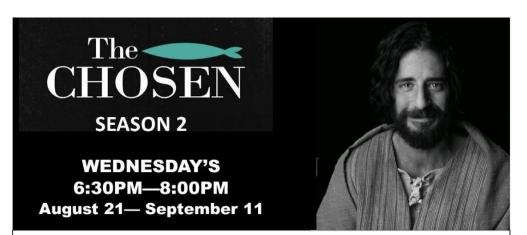
Rev. Lammers died unexpectedly the day after returning from vacation. The congregation and the town were in shock. He was the beloved shepherd of St. John's. He was the dean of pastors in Newark.

To remember Louie Lammers, the Church Council voted the following June, 1961, to establish the L.H. Lammers Memorial Fund to be able to provide scholarship money for students from this congregation studying for full time Christian ministry. The rules of the fund state that the loose offering on the last Sunday in July, would be put into the fund for this purpose. And every year since then, St. John's has collected this offering.

This year, July 28, is designated as the L.H. Lammers Memorial Fund Sunday. Again, all loose offering (coin and currency not in an envelope) will be placed in that special fund. Anyone wanting to make a donation by check should clearly mark the check on the memo line with LAMMERS FUND, or have that on the envelope.

Please plan to be with us July 28, as we remember this great man in the history of St. John's Church.





Invite a friend and join us for fun, lively fellowship.

August 21 discussion on episodes 1 & 2
August 28 discussion on episodes 3 & 4
September 4 discussion on episodes 5 & 6
September 11 discussion on episodes 7 & 8

Books are available to purchase online or at Memory Petals & Christian Gift Shop in Heath, or if you like, the church will purchase the book for you.

It is not necessary to have the book for the discussion group







St. John's Little Free Pantry

It's **EASY** to **DONATE**

Walk or pull your car up to the pantry and place your donation inside.

ANYTIME, at your convenience.

The Little Free pantry is for everyone. Anyone can donate what they have to give and anyone can take what they need.



THANK YOU for keeping our Little Free Pantry filled.

Join us



Let's come together and pray for our church and our new pastor, whoever that may be. This will be silent and self-led prayer time. Come when you can, leave when you need to. Pray for few minutes or longer.

Following the 8AM service and again before the 11AM service.



Remember Prayer .

General Prayers: Don Boldt &

Bill Carr

Homebound and Nursing Facility

Residents: Mel Cunningham, Jeanette

Morris, Bonita Farmer, Patricia Gilbert, Paula

Hatfield, Rosalie Johnson, Faith Kelly, Delores and Harold McDonald, Harriett

Applegate, Esther Gillham, Helen McGaughy,

Mary Lou Hostetler, Charles & Lois Meyers, Irmgard Rhodes, Molly Sheets & Lois

Swonger.



Additional prayer requests on Bea's Blessings:

Mark: Cancer return, waiting for treatment options

Andrew Ackerman -has been able to return home after open heart surgery- still recovering

Tracy Chapin - for Grace and Mercy – is backing

off on her treatments.

We Appreciate Those Serving Today!

Liturgist:

Jeff Conner

Cantor:

Diane Reef

Ushers:

Frank Davis, Jeff Conner,

Larry Jones, Terry Gano,

Mike Dooley, Barry Dooley

Gary Kinser

Cradle Roll:

Volunteer/Avery Nagel

Media Worship Team:

Sound:

8:00 am: Charlie Bruah

Sound & Video:

11:00 am: Mike Dooley/Tom Lawyer

Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday & Friday- 9 am -12 pm. Please call the office 740-323-2407 and leave a message to make any additional appointments or call/text Anita 740-973-8218. To reach Rev. Dr. Walker, call her cell number 614-370-5346. Please leave a message and she will return your call as quickly as possible. Thank you!



July 21, 2024 **Sunday:**

Ninth Sunday after

Pentecost

8:00 am Outdoor Drive-In Service

11:00 am Sanctuary Service

Tuesday:

10:15 am Chimes Assembly

Wednesday:

6:00 pm **Crystal City Chorus**

Practice

Thursday:

11:00 am Book Study "Meeting

> Jesus Again for the First Time, The Historical Jesus

and the Heart of

Contemporary Faith"

River Road Coffee on the

Square

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Financial Update **Monthly Faith Promise goal** 4.840.42 Income as of July 14, 2024 3,636.50 **Month to Date Balance** 1,203.92) **Boiler Cost** 99,260.00 26,654.19 **Boiler loan amount Boiler Donations received** 10,418.20 **Donations still needed** \$ 16,235.99

Live streaming is now available on Facebook. If you missed the Live stream, you can watch a replay anytime on our YouTube or Facebook pages. Links for both of these sites can be found on our church website at www.stjohnsnewark.org

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