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Quilt Sunday

To listen to the service, please turn your radio to FM 90.5

Thank you for joining our service today.

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude LWF video "Ordinary to EXTRAORDINARY" Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness

We strive to live to follow God's commandments but we fall short. In this time of confession we will bring before God our shortcoming and ask God for forgiveness. Martin Luther wrote in the Small Catechism that in Confession "[you] reflect on your walk of life in light of the Ten Commandments: whether you are father, mother, son, daughter, master, mistress, servant; whether you have been disobedient, unfaithful, lazy, whether you have harmed anyone by word or deed; whether you have stolen, neglected, wasted, or injured anything." (ELW page 1165)

This morning we confess to God in silence.

You may read the Ten Commandments to help you reflect last week.

- 1. You shall have no other gods.
- 2. You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God.
- 3. Remember the Sabbath day, and keep it holy.
- 4. Honor your father and your mother.
- 5. You shall not murder.
- 6. You shall not commit adultery.
- 7. You shall not steal.
- 8. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
- 9. You shall not covet your neighbor's house.
- 10. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.
- P: Apostle Paul reminds us that "neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. (Romans 8: 38-39) God forgives all our sins. Let us live in new life in Christ. Amen.

Hymn "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" ELW# 733 Hymn will be played. You may hum along.

Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

Scripture Reading and Message

Rene' Johnson

Last year's quilt count: Total quilts counts since 1974:

Last year's quilt distributions

Maddy's Pantry: 4 Children's quilts, 6 large quilts-some kids.

Barb Daul-Lena Community: 12 towels, 21 large quilts, 5 kid's quilts,

3 baby quilts.

Bed & Biscuit: 25 large towels, 15 bath mats, 12 hand towels.

Veterans: 24 towels, 20 blankets. Delbert Scheider: 1 child's quilt.

Other items distributed to various people or groups: 18 large towels, 6 shower curtains, 12 bath mats, 10 blue & white towels, 12 quilts,

10 pillows, 25 pillow cases, 10 plastic place mats.

Purchased Quilts: 5 quilts.

And many are going to Lutheran World Relief.

If you would like to learn more, please check September newsletter and the pamphlet in the rack.

Hymn

"I Love To Tell The Story"

ELW# 661

Hymn will be played. You may hum along.

Prayer

L: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.

L: With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation. O God of justice and love, we give thanks to you that you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, awaken us to the needs of others.

We especially pray

for the church universal, its ministry, and the mission of the gospel;

for the well-being of creation;

for peace and justice in the world, the nations and those in authority, and our community;

for the poor, oppressed, sick, bereaved, and lonely;

for all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit.

Additional prayer will be lifted here.

L: Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen

Prayer will conclude with the Lord's Prayer. Leader will lead the Lord's Prayer and you may pray in silence.

Sending

God bless us and sends us in mission to the world.

Quilt Sunday Blessing

(prayer written by Joci Post and adapted for our Quilt Sunday Service)

L: We thank you for the many gifts you have bestowed upon us and now ask to bless the work of our hands, that it might become a blessing to others. Lord we know that these quilts alone are only ordinary things, but through your power and love they become extraordinary.

Bless these gifts we lay before you, that they would not be from our own hearts and hands but from yours. Let each quilt be your unfailing arms of comfort and your trusted means of hope; assurance to those who despair, and light to those who live in darkness.

Transform us Creator, from idle beings into those who do your work. Help us to recognize our own limitations and acknowledge our need for your strength. Motivate us Lord to fulfill your desire to feed the hungry, give water to those who thirst, and clothe those with nothing. Let these humble offerings become tools of your service, bringing love into the lives of those in need around the world.

Bless these quilts Lord, and the work of the Lutheran World Relief and our Piece Corps Ministry in answering you call to do justice, love kindness and walk humbly with you. Renew our hands for your work, O God, today and every day. In the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, we ask all these things. **Amen.**

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Christ is with us. Thanks be to God.

Postlude "How Small our Span of Life" ELW# 636