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Quilt Sunday

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost



Mark 6:37

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³⁶send them away so that they may go into the surrounding country and villages and buy something for themselves to eat." ³⁷But he answered them, "You give them something to eat." They said to him, "Are we to go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread, and give it to them to eat?" ³⁸And he said to them, "How many loaves have you? Go and see." When they had found out, they said, "Five, and two fish." ³⁹Then he ordered them to get all the people to sit down in groups on the green grass. ⁴⁰So they sat down in groups of hundreds and of fifties. ⁴¹Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to his disciples to set before the people; and he divided the two fish among them all. ⁴²And all ate and were filled; ⁴³and they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish. ⁴⁴Those who had eaten the loaves numbered five thousand men.

P: The gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Message

Rene' Johnson

Hymn of the Day "I Love to Tell the Story"

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Apostles' Creed *you will find the Apostles' Creed on* **page 105**

Prayer

Leader will lead the prayer.

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

Congregation may respond each petition with the following word:

L: Lord, in your mercy, C: **Hear our prayer.**

We lift our prayers for

Lynn Lyvers, Dick Johnson, Jerry, Sheridan Brinker, Fern Harnish, Lois Paulsen, Taylor B., Nina Mueller, Curt, Connor Stadermann, Jaden, Brooke, Jon Forsythe, Diane, Randy, Brian, Deb Lindeman Harder, Paul Heller, Dave Heinkel, Janet, Ryse Stone, Harry Perra Jr, Nicole, Meghan, Tom, Brian Gobeli, John, Chuck, Joyce, Terri, Tina, Julie, J.T., Jamie, Crystal, Katie, Christian, Anna, Abby, Karla, Jacob and his family, Jim DeMontigny, Richard Gordon, Bonnie W, David Gray, Kay, Sue, Shanna, Kathy, Charlie, Brad, Jonathan, Cindy, Amber, Chris, Ron, Vicki, Piece Corps Quilting Group, and works of the Lutheran World Relief. Pray for love, peace, comfort and hope of resurrection for the family and friends of Marvin "Johnny" Lobdell.

Prayer will conclude with the Lord's Prayer.

Sending

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

Announcements

Quilt Blessing and Dismissal

P: 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 your 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.**

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

Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you.

Thanks be to God.

* Sending Hymn

“Here I Am, Lord”

ELW #574

Postlude

Tena Rackow

Join the music ministry.

Choir will practice after worship service on Sunday, Chimes will practice at 5:00pm on Sunday.

Attendance August 29th

In-person—17 Online – 33

On-line attendance includes Facebook and YouTube video views from the last 7 days.

*A Quilt Ministry
is an expression of
God's Love!*



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*JESUS IS HAPPY WITH THE "MESS"
FOR IT HAS A PURPOSE AND HE CALLS IT
LOVE.*

Piece Corps—Good Shepherd Quilt Ministry

Each and every Wednesday morning—for 47 years, the members of Piece Corps meet at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Fellowship Hall from 8:00am to 11:30am to assemble quilts. There are so many people who help make this ministry possible: the sewers, fabric cutters, ironers, quilt tiers, quilt binders, those who supply us with donations of fabric, batting, thread, and money, and finally— those who pack-up and transport the quilts to Monroe, Wisconsin and load them on the semi so they get to the people who need them.

*Each year, on Quilt Sunday, the church is draped with quilts. We thank God that He has given us Work to do that impacts so many others. We will never know all the people who benefit from our quilts; but we know **God's Love and Work is never done; and so each year we strive to do our best.***

*Our Quilt Ministry and Piece Corps had another very successful year. **700 quilts were made this year.** Since 1974 (47years) a total of 18,210 quilts have been made and sent. We do keep score! Thank you to everyone for your help and support. None of this would be possible without the help of many, many hands, lots of donations, and **God's Love and Prayers.***

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

Where did our quilts go in 2021?

The majority of our quilts are sent to Lutheran World Relief for distribution around the world.

We have also sent quilts and other materials to the following this year:

Family in Warren lost home in fire:

6 blankets, 6 pillows, 6 pillowcases.

Medina Nursing Home: *10 lap robes.*

Voices of Freeport for battered families: *12 blankets.*

Lena Community:

2 sheets, 1 lap robe, 10 towels, dish clothes and hand towels.

Lutherdale Camp: *6 blankets.*

St. Joseph Catholic Church in Stockton:

Took the following items to Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota as part of their mission trip 20 pillows and 31 blankets.

4 blankets have also been purchased to be used for a raffle for a little girl.

We get requests from individuals to purchase quilts they see on display that they really like. Please contact Shirley Fox or the church office (815-369-5552), or come in any Wednesday morning to church and check it out.



Even in the darkest times, Quilts and Care Kits send a message that the world has not forgotten families and children in need. Your gift delivers renewed hope and helps change the lives of many.



How You Can Take Part in This God's Work

- *Donate fabric, batting/filler, thread, sheets, bedding materials, yarn, towels, etc.*
- *Help with shipping cost*

It takes \$2.25 to ship one quilt over seas.

For someone who has lost everything in a disaster, like a flood, earthquake, or war, your donation to the shipping fund sends them an uplifting necessary resource. You may write on the envelope and memo on your check

“Quilt Shipping Fund.”

- *Pray*
- *Cut squares and/or sew tops at home.*
- *Come in Wednesday morning (we'll find you to do God's ministry.)*



Interested? Questions?

Contact the church office at 815-369-5552 or come in any Wednesday morning between 8:00 am and 11:30-am.