

KNIFE RIVER LUTHERAN CHURCH

*Where ever you are in your journey of faith,
You are welcome here.*

A Sunday after Pentecost

September 17, 2023

Narrative Lectionary: Genesis 18, 21

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

GATHERING

Gathering Song#834 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only
Wise"

Call to Worship on Laughter

P: O Lord, giver of joy and laughter,

C: we thank you for giving us these gifts.

P: for opportunities to laugh at ourselves,

C: For the belly laughs of children,

P: For the courage to smile even when difficulties arise,

**C: For saints in the Lord who overflow with laughter and
spread your joy to all of us.**

Prayer of the Day(insert)

Installation of teachers; Children dismissed for Children's
Time

WORD

Lesson: Genesis 18:1-15, 21:1-7

Sermon

Hymn of the Day "Standing on the Promises of God"

Healing prayer and anointing

MEAL AND SENDING

Prayers of the People

Sharing the Peace

Offering -Anthem: "The Gift of Love"

Holy Communion: Words of Institution/ Lord's Prayer

Distribution – music: "Alleluia"

Communion blessing and prayer

Final benediction

Sending Song "This Joy/This Little Light medley"

Dismissal: Leader: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude

"All God's Critters"

WORSHIP LEADERS

Pastor Susan Berge

Lector: Delores Jackson

Music: Sticks and Strings; Phil Berge, coordinator

Clarinet: Lawrence Burkhard

Greeters/Ushers: Delores Jackson and Susan Hubbartt

Counters: Scott Jasperson and Mike Garey

Altar: Vicky Gorman and Susan Hubbartt

Communion Assistant: Jan Swanson

Children's Time: Dani Mattson

Coffee: Kris and Mike Garey

Live-streaming: Jim Allert

The flowers are given in memory of John Skadberg by Randi
Alreck. May his memory be blest!

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Today: 9:00 AM-Worship

10:00 AM-Coffee fellowship

10:00 AM-**Blessing of the Animals**

Monday: 1 PM-Bells rehearse

Tuesday: 9:00 AM-Lectio/Dig Deeper

Wednesday: 9:30 AM-Quilting

5:00 PM-**Church/community picnic, all welcome!**

Thursday: 8:30 AM-Men's Group/Dulcimers

5:00 PM-pop up dinner at Earthwood Inn

Next Sunday: 9:00 AM Worship.

Children's Church/Kid's Connect begin!

Congregational Meeting follows worship

CHOIR LEADERSHIP

We are in need of someone to take a lead with our Joyful Noise Choir. Could that be you? Please talk to Pat Meyer!

SOLAR ENERGY

There will be a meeting on the possibility of solar energy in Knife River at the Rec Center on Monday, the 18th, at 3:30 PM, with a special emphasis on non-profit organizations.

KNIFE RIVER PRAYER LIST

In need of healing: Veronica Persons, Seth Goodnature, DeWayne Rubedor, Diane Friebe, David Hubbartt, Lil Hanson, Ikse Hough, Darren Moline, Chris Clay, Jack Coolidge, Jim Mott, Mike Wiseman, Brent & Heather Mitchell, Pam West, David Keller, Ethel O'Leary, Dean Basson, Mark Jensen, Kane Bolen, Ole Tweet, Hannah Eaton, Kathy Pulk

Military serving abroad: Josh Hagen

Long Term Concerns: Sue Sigel, Laurie Jackson, David Pierce, Jan Moon, Pat Hanson, Dani Mattson, Leif Zmolek, Dennis Swanson, Les Bolen, Reid Carson, Ella Jackson, Peggy Behan, Audrey Carlson, John Peterson

ANNOUNCEMENT: CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

As required constitutionally, the Church Council is giving two Sunday's notification prior to a Congregational Meeting set for September 24 after worship to deal with the single issue of improving the acoustics in the lower level. Presently, the reverb level makes conversation difficult and is giving some people headaches and causing others to avoid fellowship activities in the area. The solution is to install appropriate materials to absorb some of the sound, which will cost approximately \$6600. A fundraiser idea has already been proposed and potentially has raised at least 2/3 of the cost, should the project go through. However, the congregation is required to vote when we enter into any contract for more than \$5000 that was not originally anticipated in the annual budget. If you have questions, please

ask Ed Lee, Mike Garey, or Craig Whiting. And please plan to attend the meeting.

DISCUSSION AND LEARNING OPPORTUNITY: Repairing the Broken Narrative: Art as Resistance. September 26, 6 PM at the Chief Buffalo Mural in Gichik-Ode'Akiing Park, 214 East Superior Street, Duluth. Event is free, sponsored by Gloria Dei Lutheran Church and the NE Minnesota Synod. Centering on the story of the 1854 Treaty.

