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Mission Statement:

“Welcoming, caring, and serving all through Christ’s love.”

Kenwood Lutheran Church
Seventh Sunday After Pentecost
July 23, 2017
8:45 a.m. Praise & Worship

GATHERING

Prelude: “*Wind of the Spirit*”

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gathering Song “*You Are Mine*”

insert

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Lord, God of all life, we have tried to build our own world and run it by our own rules. Greed has determined our goals and selfishness has programmed our priorities. The walls we have built around our existence have grown higher and higher so that we no longer see the light of day. God of all life, we desire to see Your world and to live in your kingdom. Help us to see our sin and turn away from its attraction. Help us to destroy the walls of defensiveness and self-centeredness and build bridges of forgiveness and mutual concern. Your kingdom come, now for us in this life, and the next.

God is the God of all life and created the world out of great love. God’s good news for us today is that Jesus’ death and resurrection has established a new kingdom, a new place for us to live, a new world of hope and forgiveness where walls have come down and the bridges are in place. We are free to move about this new kingdom because our sin is forgiven and our lives can be different than they were before. The cross of Christ is the center of this kingdom as we live out our lives in daily struggle with the hard issues of life. The God of all life loves us with an everlasting love and gives us new power to live our lives with praise and thanksgiving.

Special Music “*The Power of Your Love*”

Praise & Worship

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Celebrate insert

WORD

PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD

First Reading, Psalm, Second Reading

Celebrate insert

Response to readings: **Thank be to God!**

Gospel Reading

Celebrate insert

Response to Gospel announcement: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Response to the reading of the Gospel: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

Pastor Jeffrey Holter

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Solo: As the deer panteth for the water, so my soul longeth after
Thee.

You alone are my heart’s desire, and I long to worship Thee.

Refrain:

***You alone are my strength, my shield; to You alone may my spirit
yield.***

You alone are my heart’s desire and I long to worship Thee.

Solo: You’re my friend and You are my brother even though You are a
King.

I love You more than any other, so much more than anything.

Refrain

Solo: I want You more than gold or silver, only You can satisfy.

You alone are the real joygiver and the apple of my eye.

Refrain

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in God, the Creator of all things, the source of all goodness
and love.

We believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, true God yet true man. He
was crucified, died and was buried for our sin that we might be free and
know the joy of life. He was raised on the third day and ascended to
heaven, and will come again in power and glory to judge both the living
and the dead.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the power of God at work inside of us.

We believe in the church of God, the people of faith throughout the world.

We believe that our sin is forgiven and that we will live together with God for now and throughout eternity. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Celebrate insert

SHARING OF THE PEACE

MEAL

OFFERING

“Give Thanks” Words and Music by Henry Smith. 1978 Integritys Hosanna! Music
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Give thanks with a grateful heart

Give thanks to the Holy One

Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son.

Give thanks with a grateful heart Give thanks to the Holy One

Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son.

And now let the weak say, "I am strong"

Let the poor say, "I am rich"

Because of what the Lord has done for us.

And now let the weak say, "I am strong"

Let the poor say, "I am rich"

Because of what the Lord has done for us.

Give thanks, Give thanks.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

“Goodness is stronger than evil. Life is stronger than death. Taste the goodness and life of God.”

Communion Songs:

“Beautiful Savior”

insert

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**As we drink this cup, we worship You;
As we eat this bread, we honor You;
And we offer You our lives
As You have offered Yours for us.
We remember all You’ve done for us,
We remember your covenant with us,
We remember, and worship You, O Lord.
Repeat**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O Morning Star, fair and bright, you have refreshed us again with heavenly food. You are our dearest treasure. Go with us now-today, tomorrow, every day-that we tell the story of your never-ending love and sing your praise both now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

Pastor: The love of God who created you, the mercy of Jesus Christ who died for you, and the power of the Holy Spirit who strengthens

you, keep you at one with all the faithful, living and departed, and remain with you now and forever.

People: Amen.

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**How can I say thanks for the things
You have done for me?
Things so undeserved yet you give
To prove your love for me
The voices of a million angels
Could not express my gratitude
All that I am, and ever hope to be
I owe it all to Thee
To God be the glory, to God be the glory
To God be the glory for the things He has done
With His blood He has saved me
With His power He has raised me
To God be the glory for the things He has done
Just let me live my life;
Let it be pleasing, Lord, to Thee
And if I gain any praise, let it go to Calvary
With His blood He has saved me
With His power He has raised me
To God be the glory for the things He has done**

***DISMISSAL**

Pastor: Go in peace. Be the light of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude: *“He Is Exalted”*

Our Announcements

WELCOME members and visitors! Please sign the pew pads, which allow us to track visitors and communion attendance.

Please join us in the Messiah Room after worship for Hospitality! Visitors are invited to introduce themselves to Pastor Holter and to take a visitor folder found in every pew. If you are in need of a listening device please see an usher. The service can be heard and viewed from our lounge in the event that your child needs your attention during the worship service. Kid's bags are available at each entrance to the sanctuary.

All are welcome to communion. Communion is by intinction, meaning you simply dip the bread into the chalice before eating. Red is wine, white is grape juice.

Gluten free wafers are now an option!

This Morning:

Altar: Sue Wiitanen

Welcome Host:

Hospitality: Sarah Circle

Communion Server: Sue Wiitanen

Scripture Reader: Kevin Michalicek

Acolyte:

Ushers: Eric & Tammy Saksa

Attendance last week: 8:45-44; 10:45-

Tomorrow evening-we'll be holding the '*Church on Fire*' service by the fire ring in the lower lot. Bring a lawn chair to sit in. There will be s'mores after the service, and you may bring hot dogs to roast if you wish.

Next Sunday-we will be collecting coins for LSS '*Change For Changing Lives*'. The Center for Changing Lives brings people together, transforms lives, and creates a vital community where individuals and families can thrive.

It seems like-school just got out for summer vacation, but school supplies will be going on sale again soon. It's a great time to pick up school supplies for kits that will be assembled again next year. Donations of any of the items are greatly appreciated! Look for plastic bags in the Messiah Room with a list of the requested items. Please leave supplies in the middle office.

Steak Fry-the annual Steak Fry is just a few weeks away! Join us for good food and good fellowship on Thursday, August 24, from 5:00-

6:30 p.m. Get a juicy steak dinner for \$12 or a burger with all the fixin's for \$8.

Hospitality-there are still some Sundays to fill for hospitality. Families, groups of friends, or individuals are all welcome to sign up. Questions? Call the church office.

Thank you-for your support of Kenwood Lutheran Church Ministries. Electronic options are available for your convenience.



Simply Giving is a program which allows your donations to through a pre-authorized withdrawal from your bank account. Contact the church office for details to enroll.

Another option is **Online Giving**. Scan our QR code or go to our website at www.kenwoodlutheran.org for a secure, safe and private way to donate to Kenwood!

Weekly Financial Overview:

Weekly needed to make budget: 4027.41

Offering Last Sunday: 1867.25

Average Weekly Electronic Giving: 650.06

This Week at Kenwood

Sunday, July 23

8:45 a.m. Worship Service

9:45 a.m. B.I.G. Hour

10:45 a.m. United in Praise Service

Monday, July 24

9:00 a.m. Tai Chi

6:30 p.m. Church on Fire Worship Service

Tuesday, July 25

8:30 a.m. TOPS

7:00 p.m. Harbormasters

Wednesday, July 26

9:00 a.m. Tai Chi @ Leif Erickson Park

5:30 p.m. A.A.

Thursday, July 27

9:00 a.m. Tai Chi

4:30 p.m. Kantele Choir