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Dear Friends in Christ,

Well summer is officially here. Warm weather and abundant growth are evident. Summer is a great time to vacation and experience the outdoors as well as visit and host guests. Our summer lectionary texts offer us opportunities to explore a variety of themes related to our own summer experiences.

Hospitality and hosting are big themes throughout the summer months. Jesus sends out his disciples to preach His good news, instructing them to stay at homes where they are welcomed. Abraham and Sarah host strangers who turn out to be angels. Mary and Martha are blessed to have Jesus in their home where Martha complains that Mary will not help with the typical hosting duties. It would do us well to take to heart these wonderful texts and learn from them. What does it mean to be hospitable? What does it look like for us to accept hospitality?

In offering and receiving hospitality we learn our responsibility of caring for our neighbor. Neighbor is a broad term as Jesus uses it and it is for us to discover not only what it means for us but how we might fall short in carrying out the command to love our neighbor as ourselves.

Abundant growth not only in our fields and gardens shines during these short summer months in the Northwoods. As we gather to worship an awesome Lord and Savior, we too come alive with growth. Paul in his letters shares his belief that we are all a new creation, each and every day. As believers we grow and change in our relationships with each other and with Jesus. And our new life in Christ produces fruit in abundance all year long.

I encourage all to not take a break or a vacation from hosting God in your hearts. But instead look for ways to bring growth and vitality to your worship of the One who wants to visit with you in prayer. Let God work through you to let justice grow as you continue to be hospitable to all our neighbors.

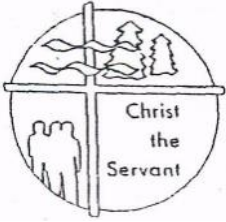
Please join us for worship on Sunday mornings to hear the wonderful stories of Jesus. If you cannot come in person, go to our Facebook page, and listen to the Scripture texts and my messages. God be with you as you enjoy the summer!

Peace,

Pastor Gwen



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## July Bible Readings

### July 3, 2022—4th Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson Isaiah 66:10-

Psalm 66:1-9

Second Lesson Galatians 6:7-16

Gospel Lesson Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

### July 10, 2022—5th Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson Deuteronomy 30:9-14

Psalm 25:1-10

Second Lesson Colossians 1:1-14

Gospel Lesson Luke 10:25-37

### July 17, 2022—6th Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson Genesis 18:1-10a

Psalm 15

Second Lesson Colossians 1:15-28

Gospel Lesson Luke 10:38-42

### July 23, 2022—7th Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson Genesis 18:20-32

Psalm 138

Second Lesson Colossians 2:6-15

Gospel Lesson Luke 11:1-13

### July 31, 2022—8th Sunday after Pentecost



**Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed...**

**James 5:16.**

*Please remember these people and requests in your prayers.*

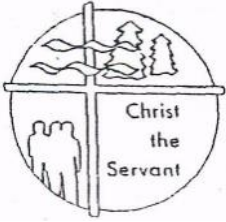
**Health/Concerns:** Sheila, Cyndi, Bernice, Allen, Angie, Harold B, Chuck and David

**Military:** Anton, Allesia Marrie, Ryan, Josh and Natalie.

CTS Church Council, Men's Group, WELCA, Quilting Ministry, Adult Bible Studies, CTS Youth, AIDS orphans in Malawi, Hunger and poverty in the world, Ukrainian people and those struggling



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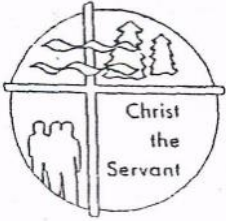
July 4th	No Office Hours
July 6th	2:00-5:30 pm
July 11th	1:00-4:00 pm
July 13th	2:00-5:30 pm
July 18th	1:00-4:00 pm
July 20th	2:00-5:30 pm
July 25th	1:00-4:00 pm
July 27th	2:00-5:30 pm

## Women's Group—Tuesday

July 5th	10:00 am-2:00 pm
July 12th	10:00 am-2:00 pm
July 19th	10:00 am-2:00 pm
July 26th	10:00 am-2:00 pm



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**Bible Study**—Bible study continues on Sunday morning at 11:00 am. Please come and join us. Our study on the book of Romans continues but it is never too late to join in the learning. See Pastor Gwen for details.

**Volunteer Opportunities**—Please sign up on the Opportunities sheet hung near the office. We need assisting ministers, ushers, coffee hour people and altar guild each week. If you have not been and would like to be trained for any or all of these service opportunities, please see Pastor Gwen. We need your help to make our worship experience on Sunday mornings meaningful.

**Farmer's Market**—Farmer's market has returned to our parking lot on Wednesdays from 2-5:30.

**Car Wash**—The Local 4-H Group will be holding a car wash on July 16th from 3-6PM in the church parking lot.

**VBS 2022**—Mark your calendars for VBS on August 2nd from 10AM-3:30PM. More details to follow.

**Donation Button**—Christ the Servant can now take donations on our website. The button is currently on the home page of the website.



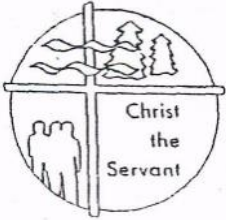
WELCA will be taking an inventory of the current supplies for the Lutheran World Relief **School Kits, Health Care Kits and Baby Care Kits.**

Watch for future announcements during worship service or in the Sunday bulletin for a list of needed items. Your contribution makes you a partner in providing basic needs to people in disaster or poverty-stricken areas around the world. We are grateful for all your donations. Please note that Lutheran World Relief Guidelines are very specific so *please wait* to purchase anything until the lists are posted.

If you have questions, please talk to Liz Carpenter or Barb Schindhelm. Thank you!

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*Celebrating*  
**80**  
**YEARS**

*Rodney Downing*

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**SATURDAY**  
**13TH**  
*August*

**3PM VISIT**  
**5PM MEAL**  
**6:30PM CAKE**

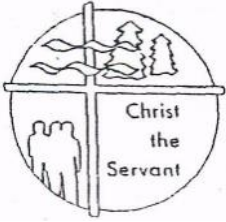
**THE LANES**  
**1127 4TH AVE S (HWY 13)**  
**PARK FALLS, WI 54552**

NO GIFTS PLEASE.  
IF YOU WOULD LIKE, PLEASE BRING  
FOOD ITEMS OR MAKE A DONATION TO  
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Date	Assisting Minister	Altar Guild	Coffee Hour	Ushers
July 3rd	Mary Rusch		Liz Carpenter	Paul & Nancy Miller
July 10th	Beth Melvold		Dave Shaw & Mary Rusch	Dave Shaw & Mary Rusch
July 17th	Mary Rusch		Paul & Nancy Miller	Paul & Nancy Miller
July 24th		Mary Rusch		
July 31st				
August 7th	Mary Rusch		Paul & Nancy Miller	Paul & Nancy Miller
August 14th				
August 21st	Beth Melvold		RB & Beth Melvold	David Shaw & Mary Rusch
August 28th			Church Picnic	
September 4th				
September 11th				
September 18th				
September 25th				

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