SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICEThe Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 21, 2023 10:00 AM

Prelude: All Creatures of Our God and King Rita Pittman

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Jonathon Kosec

* Call to Worship

Pastor: God, you have prepared for those who love you joys

beyond all understanding.

People: Pour into our hearts such love for you that we would

love you more than anything.

Pastor: In your great mercies this day and every day, receive the

prayers of your people.

People: Give to us and all the world the Spirit of your truth and

peace.

Pastor: Make us one with you.

People: For you live and reign with the Father and the Holy

Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

* Hymn # 317 "Beautiful Savior"

* Invocation

Offering No one Ever Cared for Me Like Jesus

* Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Lesson Hebrews 4:15-16 Betty Ballard

Special Music Teach Me Your Way, O Lord Liz Jensen

Today's Message: "Praying for Deliverance" Rev. J. Kosec

Hymn #89 "Lord of All Hopefulness"

Prayers of the Church The Pastoral Prayer

* Closing Hymn # 676 "Go, My Children, With My Blessing"

* Benediction

Postlude: I'm Trading My Sorrows

* You may choose to stand or remain seated.

Altar Flowers: are provided by Hal Bates in memory of beloved wife, Lois and their son. Todd.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER.

David Olund recovering from bypass surgery.

Annual Gathering of the Covenant Church in June.

Evangelical Covenant Church leaders.

People who are struggling for direction in their lives.

DEEPLY ROOTED: A CALL TO PRAYER. Today marks week three of our study on prayer as we move closer to the Annual Gathering of the Covenant Church in June. This six-part series will help us get a better handle on our prayer life and how we can keep on with our consistency in our daily lives.

LOOKING AHEAD: Beginning on June 18, The Venezia Hotel on 41 will welcome our church group, directly after services, to their buffet breakfast. In addition to the June date, two other Sundays have been set aside for us: July 9 and August 13. There will be more notices plus sign-up sheets for these dates, but with today's early notice, you can set aside these fun and delicious outtings with church friends.

Are you interested in becoming a church member? Please see Pastor Kosec or Head Usher after the service about your interest and for answers to your questions about membership.

Head Usher: Diane Carl Usher/Greeters: Pam Walton & Jane McKenzie

Attendance Last Week:

In-Person- 47

CHURCH LIFE

Scripture Reading

Hebrews 4:15-16 (New International Version)

¹⁵ For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin. ¹⁶ Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH in Minneapolis, MN was the church who experienced a fire when an arsonist set fire to their grand piano which in turn gutted their church. They are an inner-city congregation which sent us a gift of \$5000 to help us in our time of need as they recall being helped in their time of need by others. We invite you to keep them, Pastor Luke and Pastor Gayle in your prayers as we explore ways we can work together. The Holy Spirit brought us together through fire, so perhaps we can define some new ways of kingdom work together as a result.

REMEMBER OUR NEW ADDRESS: If you choose to mail in a check for your offering instead of bringing it with you, kindly use the Post Office Box 237 address which Is on the front of this bulletin as the best address to use for this type of mailing. Thank you in advance for your gifts!

WATCH FOR DETAILS: We a planning a special "Gospel Music Sunday" this summer where we will feature those great Gospel songs, we all love to sing. We are working through the details and will inform you all as to when it will be. This might be something you'd like to invite your year-round neighbors to come and enjoy along with you!

CONSTITUTIONAL REVIEW: As a congregation we have some unfinished revisions to make to the Church Constitution and Bylaws. If you would be interested in helping review where that whole process stands now, please contact Pastor Jonathon at your convenience.

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