

✠ **SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST** ✠
Saturday, 5:00 p.m., June 25, 2016 ~ Sunday, 9:30 a.m., June 26, 2016

Hymns

- G-R582** Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling
Psalms 16 (Psalms begin page 339)
D-R818 O Master, Let Me Walk with You
C-R810 O Jesus, I Have Promised
S- R772 Oh, That the Lord Would Guide
My Ways

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH

Welcome to our guests and visitors who are with us today. We hope you feel at home in our midst and look forward to seeing you again. If you would like more information about Grace Lutheran, the pastor or ushers can help you. Please consider your presence to be your gift to us. No other is necessary or expected. Thank you for worshiping with us today.

IN OUR PRAYERS

In observance of our covenant with the LARCC (Lutheran, Anglican, Roman Catholic and Congregational UCC) parishes of Alpena, we pray each week for a specific ministry of one of the 8 LARCC parishes. Today we pray for the Church Leadership at First Congregational UCC.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Our series on Islam continues with the video titled *Islam: An American Faith*. Join us at 11 in the Lounge

PRAYERS: Roger Pankey, Fred Wegmeyer, Elsa Phillips, Bunny Lyon, Ashley Timmreck, Gordon Hansen, Judy Kautz, Debbie Anderson, Marilyn Whitscell, Erv Simi, Jeanette Grove, Elfie Jahnke, Lorraine Leathead, Gloria Moore, Dave Chroninger, Harold & Jean Kissau, Jim Malaski, Karen & Walter Spigelmyre, Dorothy Gentry, Emma Nelson, Iris Snyder, Julie Troy, Conrad Addison, David Schaedig, Linda Norton, Bishop Craig Satterlee, Cody Gustin, Brett & Katie Schoner, Eric Carlson, Martin Suszek, Larry Beaudoin, Shirley Johnson, Mike Knoblett, Dennis Diamond, Stuart Grenkovicz, Sam Brown, Kay and Jaiden

ALTAR FLOWERS: In honor of Mary and Andy Lappan's birthday (June 30).

PRAYER LIST

Our prayer list is redone each month. If you, or a family member, would like to continue on the prayer list, please call the office (354-2640).

BREAD WEEKEND - THANK YOU

\$148.00 was collected for the ELCA Hunger Relief Fund on June 18/19. Thank you to the bakers and buyers, trusting that you both enjoyed your contribution. Our next Bread Weekend will be Saturday/Sunday, July 16/17. All members are encouraged to bake and buy bread. Thanks for your support of this ministry!

**ALPENA COMMUNITY ECUMENICAL
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

July 25-29, 2016

Registration forms are located in the Narthex. More info is located on the insert in your bulletin. Share the information with family, friends and neighbors.

THANK YOU

Thank you for all of your cards and prayers. I hope to be back soon.

Bunny

Thank you for the prayers, cards and expressions of sympathy we received with the passing of my sister.

Sharon Engstrom

CONGRATULATIONS

Eric, Tracie and big brother Myles Granata welcomed a baby boy, Beckett Emerson, on June 16 at 7:47 a.m. He was 8 pounds 4 ounces and 22 inches long. Everyone is home and doing well. Grandparents are Dennis and Cheryl Werblow and Bill and Mary Granata-Kunst.

TASTE OF ITALY FUN NIGHT

Please join us on Monday, June 27, at 6:00 p.m. as Anne Gentry shares her experience in Italy. Youth and families will then make pasta together. Be sure to RSVP by signing the sheet in the Narthex or calling the church office (354-2640) so we can plan accordingly.

**CHECK OUT THE
NEW FLOWER GARDEN**

We have flowers along the fence with Betty Dulebohn - on the Third Ave side of our building - thanks to Gerri Moors with some help from husband Mike and rototilling by Dennis Werblow.

WE'VE JOINED THE PEOPLE

You have noticed the "Stick" People around town. We have ours now, too. Thanks to Chris Christopherson. I'm betting you can guess who it is and what he is doing. They are this year's Community of Art project by the Thunder Bay Arts Council.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK!

Sunday - 26th

9:30 a.m.

Worship -

Noisy Offering Today

11:00 a.m.

Adult Ed - Lounge

Tuesday - 28th

3:30-7:00 p.m.

Lounge Reserved

Wednesday - 29th

2:30-6:30 p.m.

Lounge Reserved

Thursday - 30th

7:00 p.m.

Interfaith Amigos

Book Study

Saturday - 2nd

5:00 p.m.

Worship

SERVING THIS WEEK

Ministers God’s People
Pastor Rev. Tom Orth
Music Director Berniece Lyon
Lector Sharon Engstrom
Communion Assts. Joe Gentry, Wayne Lewis
Ushers..... Dale Schultz, Steve & Wesley Garant,
 Charles Snyder, Vicki, Isabelle,
 Trevor & Taylor Denstaedt
Greeters..... Clarence & Bonnie Cross
Hospital..... Janet Chroninger
Altar Guild.... Joanne Nicholls, Kathy Piontkowski
Counters..... Clarence & Bonnie Cross
Coffee Hour..... Pam Kirchoff, Charlotte Werth

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 Jo Ann Smith, Tom Brennan,
 Bev Attwell, Rick Engstrom
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 Ludington, Jeanne Pankey
Counters..... Dale & Pat Schultz
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 Elsa Phillips

GENERAL FUND GIVING	
Average needed each week to meet budget	\$ 3,981.00
Weekly giving - June 19	\$ 3,473.00
Year-to-date over/(under)	(\$ 1,310.00)

FIRST READING 1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21

¹⁵Then the LORD said to [Elijah,] “Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. ¹⁶Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. ¹⁹So he set out from there, and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was plowing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over him. ²⁰He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, “Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you.” Then Elijah said to him, “Go back again; for what have I done to you?” ²¹He returned from following him, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out and followed Elijah, and became his servant.

PSALM 16 (Psalms begin page 339)

SECOND READING Galatians 5:1, 13-25

¹For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. ¹³For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. ¹⁴For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” ¹⁵If, however, you bite and devour one

another, take care that you are not consumed by one another. ¹⁶Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. ¹⁸But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. ¹⁹Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, ²⁰idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, ²¹envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. ²²By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, ²³gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. ²⁴And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

GOSPEL **Luke 9:51-62**

⁵¹When the days drew near for [Jesus] to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. ⁵²And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for

him; ⁵³but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. ⁵⁴When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" ⁵⁵But he turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶Then they went on to another village. ⁵⁷As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." ⁵⁸And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." ⁵⁹To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." ⁶⁰But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." ⁶¹Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." ⁶²Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

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