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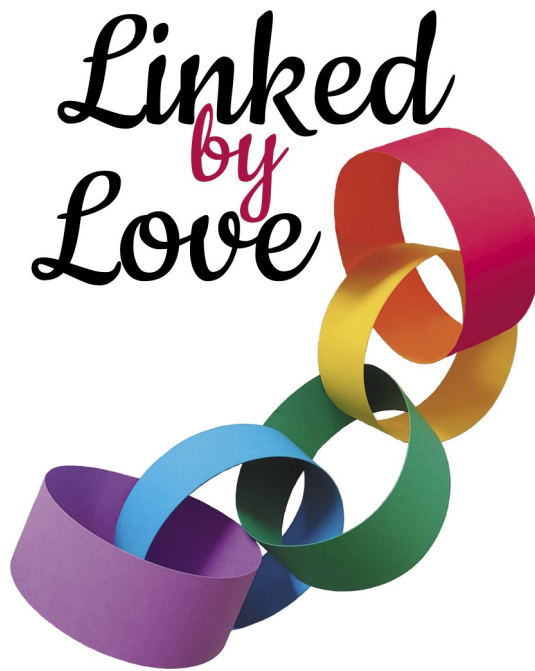
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Weekly Worship

love all • live spiritually • rejoice in hope • show hospitality

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Community Prayer

Shepherd God, you call us into a rhythm of work and rest that our lives may be the better for it. So shape our leisure and our labor, that the world will recognize us as Jesus' disciples and our ministry as what you would have us do. Amen.

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Call to Worship

One: Whether we are strangers or old friends, God is joining us together in this place.

Many: God's steadfast love is our foundation;
God's faithfulness is with us forever.

One: Whatever walls we try to build between us, in Christ, God tears them down to build a household for all of God's people.

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Youth Sunday

Participants: Edryk Christianson
Keaton Bowker
Hunter Christianson
Evan Foster
Riley Bowker

The youth have chose “*Linked By Love*” as the theme for the service. This theme is what Kamp Kaleo used for it’s 2024 camping season.

It’s gonna be a great service!

There will be pictures in next week’s Weekly Worship Bulletin!



Scripture Readings

Luke 15:11-32

Then Jesus said, "There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands."' So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe - the best one - and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate. "Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!'

(Luke 15:11-32 continued)

Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.' "



Luke 10:38-42

Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."



Prayers & Praises

July 21, 2024



Song of the week

Day by Day

Day by day, day by day, O, dear Lord, three things I pray: to see thee more clearly, love thee more dearly, follow thee more nearly, day by day.

...it only takes a smile
to make a day better

Paulo Coelho



In Our Church Family:

- Donna Baker
- Rhonda Ball
- John Burkhart
- Bobbi Carlin
- Mike Carlin
- Jim Christ
- Joan Dietrich
- Ron Hile
- Phyllis Knosp
- Polly Putney
- Rae-Hope Putney
- Marvin Thurber
- Phyllis Thurber
- Jessica Vocasek

Our sympathy to Ron Hile and family. Sharon Hile passed away July 16, 2024. A private funeral will be in the FCC Chapel on Saturday, July 20th.

Friends:

- Our sympathy to Marci Sullivan, her step-father passed away in June.
- John Burkhart, husband of Cecilia Burkhart is being treated for cancer behind his voice box.
- Tammy Foral, healing, patience and strength as facing many health issues. Co-worker of Sara Lugn.
- Cedric Gibb, healing prayers, friend of Cec Burkhart.

Our Timothy:

- Rev. Bruce Frogge, Cypress Creek CC in Spring, TX

In the Nebraska Region: North Platte First Christian Church - Jean Anderson

Our Global Ministries Missionaries: Argentina

"We pray for all women and children who suffer gender violence. For education and public health, which are at risk by adjustment policies. For the people who suffer discrimination. For the right to work and decent housing. We pray that Jesus Christ may bring peace, love, and communion in the face of the discourses of hatred and violence that are intensifying and being fueled to destroy people's lives."

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