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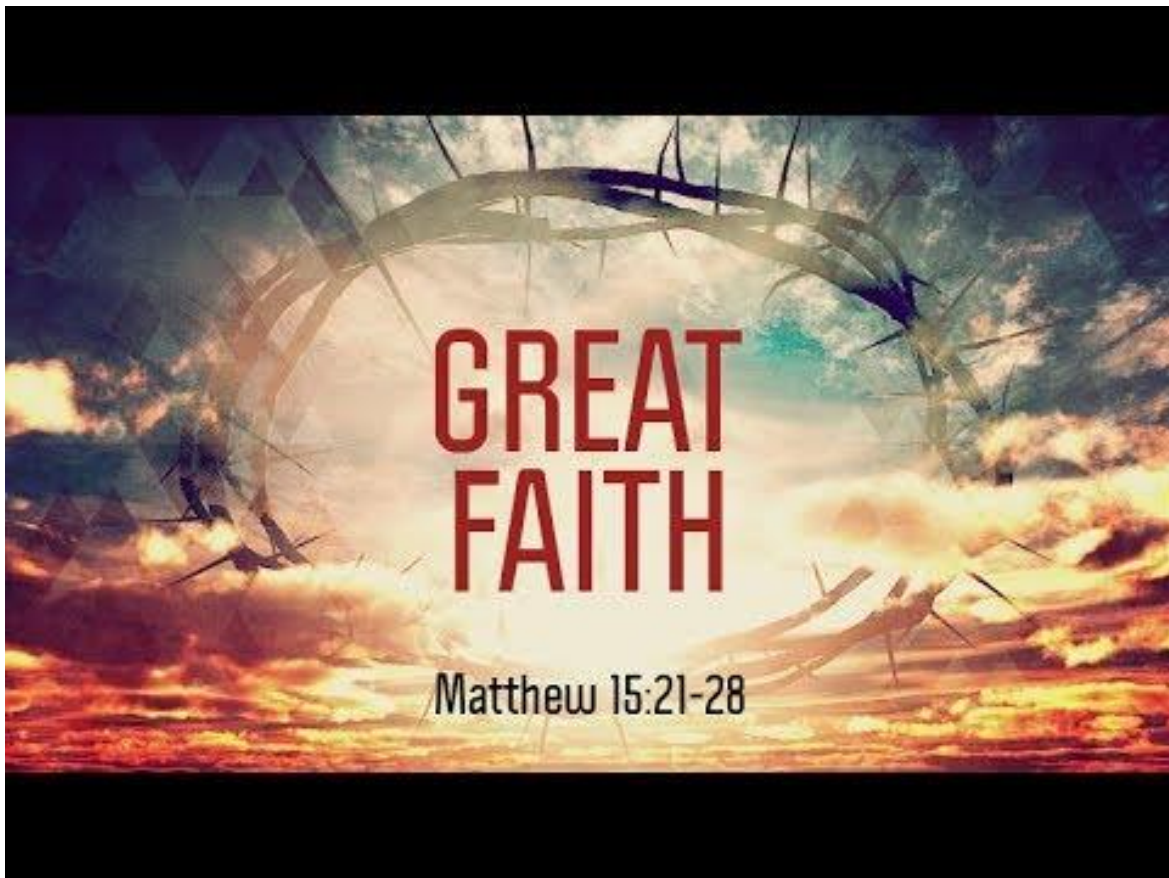
ROOTING our lives in a relationship with our God.

REJOICING in the gifts of life and love our God graciously offers.

REACHING out to our world with God's healing and hope!

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 20th, 2023 – 10:00 AM



Pastor: Rev. Joel Samuelson
Minister of Discipleship: Michelle Hintz
Organist/Piano Accompanist: Nancy Odland

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Sing for joy to the Lord! Worship the Lord gladly!

ALL: We come before our God with joyful songs.

L: Never forget that the Lord is God!

ALL: Our God made us. We belong to Him. We are God's people.

L: Let us enter God's sanctuary with thanksgiving and praise!

ALL: Our God's love lasts forever and His faithfulness for all time!

OPENING SONGS

"Let There Be Praise"

Grey #250 (Repeat)

"We Have Come into His House"

Grey #242

GREETING

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

ALL: AND ALSO WITH YOU.

L: Gracious God, You welcome all who call on Your name. No one stands outside the circle of Your mercy and love. And so we come to offer You our worship, to declare that You are our God and that we are Your people. For You alone are worthy of all praise and worship, now and to the end of time! It is in the name of Jesus that we pray...

ALL: AMEN.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

WELCOME AND COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORD

God speaks to us through Scripture, Preaching, and Song.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

SECOND READING

Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

"Thy Word"

Grey #183

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the Fifteenth Chapter.

ALL: GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 15:21-28

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.

HYMN OF THE DAY

"He Comes to Us as One Unknown"

Blue #768



Today's Message:

Pastor Joel Samuelson

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

APOSTLES' CREED

(SEE OVERHEAD)

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

OFFERING MOMENT

OFFERING RESPONSE

"Come Into His Presence"

Grey #172 (Repeat)

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Great Thanksgiving

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

(Spoken) Red p. 144

(Sung) Red p. 144

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

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DISTRIBUTION MUSIC

"Come, Let Us Eat"

Red #491

"Let Us Break Bread Together"

Red #471

"Come to the Table"

Red #481 (Repeat)

BLESSING

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG

"Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"

Red #545

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Share the Good News!

ALL: THANKS BE TO GOD!

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Altar flowers today are in celebration of Lance and Rhonda Olson's 33rd wedding anniversary! Happy Anniversary!

IN NEED OF HEALING –Duey Johnson, Jeff Beiswanger, Blaine Olsen, Harlan Pleinis, Willard Kemmet, Charlene Schuchard, Darrell Bittner, Sidney Weigel, Lori LaCoe, Lou Ann Heinle, Vic Huber

CANCER CARE – Terry Kristensen, Ashley, Alice Nelson, Rollie Schepp, Kelsey, Birdie Fode, Ruby, Gary Dietz, Marty Well, Colby, Arlene Walch, Arlene, Dick Olson, Ron Schepp, David, Wanda

TODAY'S WORSHIP HOSTS

Greeters – Maxine Martin & Alice Neuberger

Council Representative – Keith Zhorela & Reinie Kembel

Join us for Outdoor Church Service at

General Sibley Park on Aug. 27

Embrace the beauty of God's creation as we come together for a special church service on Aug. 27 at 10 a.m. Our annual outdoor service will be held at the General Sibley Park amphitheater. Please mark your calendars and plan to join us.

After the service, we invite everyone to stay for fellowship and food. Dakota Community Bank and Kirkwood Bank will supply the burgers and hotdogs.

To add to the meal, we will also have a potluck, and we encourage each family to bring a favorite dish or food to share.

Our outdoor church service is not only an excellent opportunity to connect with God but also a chance to strengthen our church community bond. Let's come together to make memories.

Important Details:

Date: Aug. 27, 2023

Time: 10 a.m.

Location: General Sibley Park, 5001 S. Washington St., Bismarck.

Tips: The park has limited seating, so you should bring your lawn chairs or picnic blankets. ***In case of inclement weather, we will move the service indoors, and the potluck lunch will take place at the church.***

Sunday School & JAM registration opened August 1st. You can register with the following link (<https://forms.gle/N9SvNAHtgKbhZ4Kn8>) or by filling out the registration form that can be found on the registration table in the narthex. The first day of Sunday School will be September 10th with JAM starting on September 13th.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
20 9:00am F ³ (Faith, Friends, & Fellowship) 10:00am WORSHIP - Communion	21 10:00am QUILTERS	22 11:30am Staff Meeting 6:00pm BIO Girls - Summer Session	23 6:00pm WORSHIP - Contemporary - Communion - BBQ	24	25	26