

June 13 CAMP LUTHERLYN SUNDAY
Service of Word and Prayer

Welcome to Camp Sunday! **Led by Jessica, Rob, Jacob, and Sawyer Elliot**

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

Call to Worship: Creator of earth and sky, of endless space and burning stars, we come together in the belief that we are important to you. You created us; you sustain our lives; you fulfil us with hope. We give thanks for the miracle of summer and for the power of new life within us and our world; through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Our first HYMN is **ELW 556 - Morning has Broken**

The Lord be with you ~ and also with you.

Prayer of the day: Creator God, we are a faith people that are energized by the outdoors! We thank you, God of the forests and lakes for time outside to refresh ourselves! Remind us to be always grateful for the natural world around us. Help us to live in ways that recognizes our dependence upon the earth. We pray in Jesus name. Amen

The Word - led by Jeff & Debbie Kargus

The First Reading is from **Ezekiel 17:22-24**

Psalms 92: 1-4, 12-14 is found on page 259

The Second Reading is from **2 Corinthians 5: 6-10, 14-17**

Please rise for the gospel lesson. ***Holy, Holy, Holy, our hearts adore you. Our hearts are glad to say the words: you are Holy God.***

Gospel: **Mark 4:26-34**

Welcome everyone to Camp Sunday!

This year Camp Counsellor Cameron and Sophie send their special greetings to all of you as they are helping to prepare Camp Lutherlyn for Family Camp.

For many, outdoor ministry is a life-changing experience. In partnership with congregations, Camps Lutherlyn strives to strengthen, support and lift up the body of Christ by encouraging spiritual growth in outdoor settings. There are only 2 Lutheran Camps in our Eastern Synod. Camp Lutherlyn just north of Eganville, and Camp Mush-a-Mush in Nova Scotia.

Camping ministries offer a wide variety of programs that provide growth experiences for people of all ages, many of whom become leaders in the church and their communities. Youth, in particular, can benefit through camp, which helps growth in areas such as spirituality, self-confidence, independence, making friends, and exploring and learning new activities.

We are hoping that you can help financially support Camp Lutherlyn this summer, as you do so every year! See page 6 of our St. John's Lutheran June newsletter for more information on how to do that. Many of you have never visited Camp Lutherlyn, so we have a video of the camp in action. Thanks for joining us for Camp Sunday.

CAMP LUTHERLYN VIDEO

Hymn: ELW 824 / LBW 554 - This is My Father's World

Our Response led by Melissa Watts & Nathan, Kalin & Rory Brohart

OFFERING PRAYER Gracious God, receive our gifts as you receive us. You walk beside us and you meet us in hunger with bread from heaven. Nourish us anew in your tender care, and empower us in faithful service to tend to others with this same love, through Jesus Christ our saving grace. **Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Let us come before God in prayer.

A brief silence.

Holy God, you plant the seeds of faith in every nation. Enliven your church, so that the good news of your grace may root and grow throughout the world. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Creator, even the trees, shrubs, and flowers delight in your goodness. From the depths of the soil to the highest mountain, bring forth new plants. Restore growth to places suffering drought. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Judge of nations, we pray for our leaders and those in power. Grant them the ability to regard those under their charge with humility, dedicating their lives in service to others. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Divine comforter, you show compassion to those in need and provide relief to those who call on you. Bless all who suffer, especially people trapped in cycles of poverty and homelessness. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We give thanks and pray for our faith community. We dedicate to you the joyful noise that comes from this place; the cries of children, the melody of music and the songs from our hearts. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Eternal God, we give thanks for our ancestors in the faith who are now at home with you, especially Stan Headrick. We look forward to that day when we are reunited in your new creation. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace. **Amen.**

The peace of Christ be with you always and also with you.

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray **The Lord's Prayer:**

Our Father, who art in heaven,
 hallowed be thy name,
 thy kingdom come,
 thy will be done,
 on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
 as we forgive those

who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

Hymn: ELW 677 – This Little Light of Mine

Benediction

God the creator strengthen you; Jesus the beloved fill you; and the Holy Spirit the comforter keep you in peace. Amen.

Dismissal

Go in peace. and enjoy God's world. **Thanks be to God.**

