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Prelude

Call to Worship

Psalm 100:1-2

*Shout joyfully to the Lord, all the earth. Serve the Lord with gladness;
Come before Him with joyful singing.*

Praise Choruses

***Hymn** #25 *Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above*

Scripture Reading

Prayer

Special Music Henry Wilson & Siska Reece

Baptism of Solomon Reece Rev. Harold Tjelta

***Hymn** #327 *Children of the Heavenly Father*

Announcements

Offering

Children's Story Greg Kollmann

***Hymn** #467 *When We All Get to Heaven*

Sermon James 2:14-19 Greg Kollmann

***Hymn** #277 *My Faith Has Found a Resting Place*

***Benediction**

***Doxology** #39

* = Please stand as you are able

Opportunities This Week

Today	3:30 p.m.	Lutheran Brethren Youth Fellowship
Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	Family Fellowship Night & Kids' Bible Club
Next Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Service
	3:30 p.m.	Lutheran Brethren Youth Fellowship
	6:30-8:30p.m.	Vacation Bible School

Announcements

- Evening **Vacation Bible School** is scheduled for **August 3-7 6:30-8:30**. There will be classes for all ages. Plan to attend! Let Greg know if you can help with crafts. Teachers and volunteers should try to arrive 10-15 minutes before start time.
- It's that time again! We're updating our **Church Directory**. On the table in the back of the sanctuary underneath the announcement board you will find a binder with the directory of names listed alphabetically. Please take a moment to find your name and check your address, phone number, etc. for errors, and then check the box beside your name to let us know you've looked at it. The list will be there through the end of the month and then will be edited for printing. Your cooperation is much appreciated!
- 2014 Women's Retreat is being planned for September 19-21st at Harold & Eileen's cabin. Please see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board.

Let Us Pray...

- Please pray for Erin Kleveland and her family as she continues to struggle with a persistent illness.
- For Jessica Hall and the treatments she is receiving for cancer.
- For people around the world that are being affected by war, especially those in Israel, Palestine, Iraq, and Syria.
- For those unable to attend this morning.
- That people in our community would be brought to saving faith through the ministries of each of us here at the Lutheran Brethren Church of Nampa.

Do you have an announcement or prayer request you'd like printed in the bulletin? Email pastorjeremywilson@gmail.com and we'll be sure to add it in.

Pastoral Care Team to Retire

Rev. John and Kathryn Wile have served the Church of the Lutheran Brethren as our pastoral care team for our Lutheran Brethren International Mission missionaries for over twenty years. Their ministry on behalf of the church to our missionaries has been invaluable and critical to the success and the spiritual health of those who serve with LBIM in Japan, Taiwan, Chad, Cameroon and China. Their ministry included interactions from couple to couple, man to man, woman to woman and to our families' children. It included a ministry of the word of God and of other teaching important and applicable to our missionaries' specific calling. Our missionaries have often expressed appreciation for their ministry.



John and Kathryn have made their final visits to our missionaries in Asia and, Lord willing, will make their final visit to Africa early in 2015.

We believe that pastoral care is crucial to the spiritual and emotional health of our missionaries. We have surveyed our missionaries and will take into account their perspective as we seek to find the best pastoral care model possible moving forward. John and Kathryn have graciously offered to be a part of the orientation process for those who serve in this important ministry in the future.

On behalf of the Church of the Lutheran Brethren, thank you very much John and Kathryn, for your loving, consistent and impactful ministry to our LBIM missionaries serving in Africa and Asia.

With Appreciation and Gratefulness,
Matthew Rogness

Volunteer Medical Advisor Named for Chad

The Church of the Lutheran Brethren calls missionaries who serve in countries with limited access to medical care. LBIM is responsible and desires to care for the medical needs of our missionaries so as to maximize their effective service in challenging places. This is especially true in Chad, Africa.

Dr. Noel Johnson has accepted the appointment as medical advisor. He is doing so as a volunteer and his role is primarily an advisory and supportive role rather than one of direct medical care, although there may be direct interaction between the medical advisor and our missionary families.

We are grateful to God for this important provision for our ministry in Chad.
Matthew Rogness

Daily Prayer Notes

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1st TAIWAN *Nehemiah 12*

Ethan Christofferson and other members of the Christian Hakka Evangelical Association are meeting today to discuss effective evangelism strategies for reaching Hakkas and to develop more resources. Pray for wisdom.

2nd EAST ASIA *Nehemiah 13*

Stephen and Sandra Bickler ask prayer for the Gift Project's special needs family camps. A Down's syndrome specialist from the States will join camp workers to give extra support to those families. Pray that Christ's love will shine.

3rd N. AMERICA *Psalms 90*

Pray for **Danny and Mandy Bronson** now on medical leave in Billings, MT, following language training in France. Pray for God's peace as they transition back to the States and seek his plan for their future. Happy 4th birthday **Theo!**

4th JAPAN *Psalms 91*

Dean and Linda Bengtson ask prayer for the Kids' English Day Camp held the next two days, led by **John Olson** and a team from Victory LB Church in Taiwan. Pray that God will use this to help the Bengtsons get acquainted with more young families. Pray for stamina, good communication and safety. Pray for the gospel to be heard and understood.

5th EAST ASIA *Psalms 92,93*

Liz Christenson writes that their son **Chris** and a friend put on an English camp in July. Pray for follow-up, especially with their downstairs neighbors **Apple** and her family. Apple attended and her mom helped them find students.

6th WORLD *Psalms 94*

Pray for our missionary families as they send their children off to boarding school and college. Pray for **Hannah Christofferson** at Morrison Academy in Taiwan, for **Nate Christenson** as he starts his first year at Bethel University in Minnesota and for **Philip Szobody** as he begins his studies at Centenary College in New Jersey.

7th ECUADOR *Psalms 95,96*

Pray for **Jim and Suzy Olsen** as they host short-term mission teams from North America. Pray for transformation in the Ecuadorian and North American participants as the two groups interact.

8th CHAD *Psalms 97,98*

Pray for **Nathanael and Carrie Szobody** as they seek out language helpers in Ndjamena. They have left the village for the rainy season but will continue language study at our Lutheran Welcome Center.

9th JAPAN *Psalms 99,100*

Pray for the LB churches to call out and prepare future pastoral leadership. The seminary is now re-opened and reorganized, but new applicants are very much needed.

10th N. AMERICA *Psalms 101*

Pray for **Dan Venberg** in his role of recruiting those that God is calling into mission work. Pray for new workers to be called and for churches to prayerfully and financially stand with them.

11th TAIWAN *Psalms 102*

Kris and Andrew Larsen ask prayer for the husband of Kris's friend **Charlene**. He is recently attending church a couple of times per month and is discussing the sermons later with his wife. Charlene's mother has also started coming to church regularly.

12th CHAD *Psalms 103*

Pray for **Paul, Teresa, Matthias, Titus and Micah Szobody** as they return to Chad tomorrow and then settle back into life in Chad and continuing Arabic language study.

13th JAPAN *Psalms 104*

Dean and Linda Bengtson ask prayer for **Mr. and Mrs. Shoji**. Mr. Shoji has attended services at the seminary campus church, but recently Mrs. Shoji's ailing health has kept him away from church. Pray that they will soon come to know Jesus personally.

14th CAMEROON *Psalms 105*

Pray for the LB churches in Cameroon as they plant daughter churches and reach out to unreached Muslim communities.

15th N. AMERICA *Psalms 106:1-33*

Heidi Jensen asks prayer for "Sissy," a Christian West-African diplomat. Pray for wisdom and boldness as she and other Christian diplomats strive to serve both their country and our Lord.

16th EAST ASIA *Psalms 106:34-48*

Joel Christenson is helping to orientate new workers that are arriving, and then he will be leaving for board meetings. Pray for wisdom, clarity of mind and a clear sense of the Spirit's guidance.

17th TAIWAN *Haggai 1*

Pray for a retreat for Chinese LB church pastors being held Aug. 18-20. Pray that these pastors will be encouraged and a sense of unity and oneness in God's mission would grow among these leaders.

18th N. AMERICA *Haggai 2*

Pray for **Marcos Holzner's** translation work for the Bilala people group. Pray that God would use this literature to open Bilala hearts to his grace.

19th CHAD *Zechariah 1,2*

Praise God for **Steve and Stella Banks** who are currently on a six-week vacation. They have graciously been administering our Lutheran Welcome Center in Ndjamena until a new couple/family can step into this ministry.

20th TAIWAN *Zechariah 3,4*

Mike and Delores Kittelson ask prayer for Victory Hakka Fellowship as they prepare for the months that the Kittelsons will be on home assignment (starting in Sept.). May the members continue to grow in love and support.

21st TAIWAN *Zechariah 5,6*

Continue to pray for the salvation of **Mr. and Mrs. Wen and Ms. He**, friends of **Ethan and Sandy Christofferson**. Pray that the Spirit would create faith in their hearts as they study the Bible together.

22nd N. AMERICA *Zechariah 7*

Pray for the Japanese Ministries at Rock of Ages LBC, Seattle. Pray for **Roger and Sue Olson** as they work with Japanese college students. Pray that the Spirit would open their eyes to the gospel.

23rd CHAD *Zechariah 8*

Terrorist groups are at work across Africa, creating dangerous situations. Pray that God would keep the government of Chad stable and both able and willing to protect their people. Pray for protection for the churches.

24th JAPAN *Zechariah 9,10*

Please continue to pray for **Mr. and Mrs. Ono**. Mr. Ono has been diagnosed with terminal cancer. Pray for their salvation and that God would give **Dean and Linda Bengtson** opportunities to share the gospel with them.

25th TAIWAN *Zechariah 11*

Mike and Delores Kittelson ask us to pray for **Mr. Dzo** and his wife. They are not believers and Mr. Dzo suffers from chronic back pain. May Mike and Delores' visits bring encouragement from the Word and soften their hearts toward the gospel.

26th WORLD *Zechariah 12,13*

Pray for spiritual, physical, emotional and psychological protection for all of our missionary

families. Pray against all attacks of the evil one, especially regarding the well-being of our missionary children.

27th JAPAN *Zechariah 14*

Pray for our Japanese pastors and synodical leaders who are often overworked and working extra duties beyond their congregations. Pray also for new workers to be raised up.

28th CHAD *Malachi 1:1-2:9*

Pray for Muslim villages that have been recipients of LBIM well projects. A village chief heard that Jesus is the water of life and said, "The water from this well is delicious. But these words that you have shared with us are very delicious. We want to hear more!"

29th IRAQ *Malachi 2:10-3:6*

Evangelicals are growing in Iraq at an unprecedented rate. However, this growth does not offset losses resulting from the flight of the ancient churches from Iraq. Pray for their faith to remain strong.

30th TAIWAN *Malachi 3:7-4:6*

Pray for the son of the shoe salesman at the market near **Mike and Delores Kittelson's** home. He has expressed interest in attending a small group or worship at Victory LBC. Pray that he will hear and respond to the gospel.

31st EAST ASIA *James 1:1-18*

Stephen and Sandra Bickler report that the Gift Center has a waiting list of 500 special needs families, but cannot add staff. Pray for God to show a way that this ministry can operate efficiently, and discover alternative ways to reach out to these families.

1 CLB Convention

Today is another full day of convention activities. Pray for John Juhl and Mark Jarvinen as they speak at the sessions. Pray also for our new president as he is installed at the evening worship service.

2 CLB Convention

Today is the Women's Ministries event and luncheon. Pray for Alyssa McIvor as she speaks on the theme *ReVision, ReNew, ReConnect*.

3 Inspiration Point Christian Camp

Today begins our third session of Junior High Camp. Pray for these 7th and 8th graders as they spend time in God's Word and enjoy the activities and beauty of the camp setting.

4 Regional Pastors

The Regional Pastors and their wives will be gathering today for teaching, prayer and to welcome Roger and Carol Olson to the team. Roger is the new RP to the CLBC (Canada).

5 Seminary

Pray for the third year seminary students who are attending an intensive course in pastoral theology this week. Pray that the Lord will give them hearts which reflect his passion for the lost.

**6 Praise Christian, Barkhamsted, CT
Bethel, Huntington, NY**

Pray for our VBS programs which are being held this week. Pray for the staff and that God's Word will be clearly proclaimed in the lives of the children and their families.

7 Cornerstone, Ferndale, WA

Praise the Lord for the 10 new members that were added to our church family. We are so excited to see them serving and committing their lives to Cornerstone for God's work.

8 Tuscarora Inn and Conference Center

Pray for the Tuscarora Board of Directors as they gather tomorrow to plan for the future needs of the conference center.

9 Community Church of Joy, Sammamish, WA

We have an outreach ministry for families in our community to join us for *family friendly* outdoor movie nights during August. Pray that younger families will come and feel connected to our church.

10 Hillcrest Lutheran Academy

Today is the first day of *Welcome Week* for the students attending HLA. Pray for them as the school year begins, that God will bless them in their faith walk and in their studies.

11 Oak Ridge, Menomonie, WI

Please be in prayer for our Day Camp that many kids in our community will be ministered to.

**12 Peace Christian, Bohemia, NY
Bethel, Huntington, NY**

Teens from both Peace Christian and Bethel will be gathering this week for evenings of fellowship centered around God's Word. Pray for this time of study and growth in the lives of these teens.

13 Immanuel, Eugene, OR

Pray for Immanuel LBC as they work on finalizing the plans for their new pastor, Dan Berge, who will begin his ministry in December.

14 Central Region

The Global Leadership Summit is a two-day event that is telecast live from Willowcreek in Chicago. It is viewed in 300 locations in the US. Pray for those attending from our churches as they are educated to be part of a culture of Christ-centered leadership.

15 Canadian Region

Pray for Roger Olson who begins his ministry today as the Regional Pastor to the Church of the Lutheran Brethren Canada. Roger and his wife Carol live in Beaumont, AB, and have recently served Living Hope Lutheran Church in Beaumont.

16 Western Region

RP Gary Witkop meets today with the congregation of Living Word Lutheran Church in Minot, ND to present the CLB to them as they consider voting on joining our denomination. Pray that this meeting answers the questions they have and will lead them to the right decision for their church.

17 Grace Community, Wesley Chapel, FL

Praise God for the positive response to our **Upward Soccer Camp** and for the opportunity to share the gospel with many new children and families. Pray for our closing program and fall ministry preview being held tonight.

18 Eastern Region

Many ER pastors will be attending *Pastor's School* at Tuscarora this week. Pray for this time of learning and fellowship for these pastors and their families.

19 Bethel Ridge, Faribault, MN

Pray for Steve Lazicki as he ministers through SALT (Somali Adult Language Training) to local Somali immigrants.

20 Cornerstone, Ferndale, WA

We are having a booth and presence at our community *Back to School Fair*. Pray for the people we meet and the connections being made to our church.

21 Bethel, Antler, ND

Please pray for Craig and Mary Schmidt and the congregation in Antler as Craig begins both seminary and service to Bethel LBC as their pastor.

22 Living Faith, Watford City, ND

We are happy to announce that the construction has begun on our new facility with a promise to have us in by Christmas! We are at 50% of our fundraising goal with only \$400,000 left to raise. Prayer and gifts would be greatly appreciated.

23 New Hope, Lewisburg, PA

RP Warren and Cindy Geraghty will be visiting today. Pray for Pastor Warren as he shares the gospel with the New Hope church family.

24 Grace Community, Wesley Chapel, FL

Praise God for the acquisition of a 20 acre property. Our building committee has been discussing conceptual ideas and a preliminary site plan. As God provides the funding, our next step will be to find an architect who can help us to develop specific plans for a church facility. Pray for God's will to be done.

25 Seminary

Pray for the new seminary students at LBS who are taking their introductory course this week. Pray that the Holy Spirit will guide them in their learning and encourage them in their journey toward ministry.

26 Word of Life, Le Sueur, MN

In 2015 we graduate a large group of students in our youth group. Many are quite active and strong leaders. Pray for a future group to rise up as these students move on.

27 Praise, Barkhamsted, CT

Pray for us as we prepare to launch a new midweek after-school program in the fall.

28 Central Region

Pray for the pastors in the Fergus Falls area cluster as they meet for prayer and fellowship today.

29 CLB

We praise the Lord for Pres. Joel Egge as he has faithfully led our denomination and for the ministry he and his wife Barb have had to our pastors, churches and church families. Thank you!

30 Gethsemane, Rochester, MN

Pray for Gethsemane as they work through the call process to fill an associate pastor position to work with Pastor Mark Nienow.

31 Cornerstone, Ferndale, WA

We have been doing a new ministry "Single and Parenting" which has been an exciting and life changing experience for our single parents and grandparents. Pray for their lives to be filled with love and security in Christ.

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Update on Pasadena

In the course of any kind of human endeavor whether in business, education, politics or ministry, there are often mid-course corrections that need to occur as circumstances change or other factors develop. This has turned out to be the case in what was called the restart effort in Pasadena, CA. As many of you likely know, the understanding of the original Pasadena restart plan was for Immanuel CLB to conclude its ministries and "pass the baton" to the newly developing church, Redemption. Also, the plan was for Immanuel to be the main source of funding for the new church. However, Immanuel has now decided that they will continue as a separate church. They want to pursue a more traditional approach to ministry and are in the process of searching for a new pastor.

Redemption will also continue as Kyle and Erika Sears pursue the vision that they were called to. While making a couple of major adjustments, they will build on the foundation that has been laid in Pasadena, since their arrival in July 2013. Erika has found a full-time job, at least until December 2014, as a substitute science teacher at a private elementary school in Pasadena. And, Kyle will continue working on a Master of Divinity Degree for the next two years.

Both Kyle and Erika are high capacity people, so they look upon this as a bump in the road, with God having a purpose in it all. They are committed to reaching the lost in Pasadena and will continue to reach out to un-churched people, nurture relationships with all of their contacts, which are numerous, and work towards leading them to the Lord.

The members of Immanuel are committed to worship and fellowship and are seeking a shepherd that will lead them into the mission the Lord has for them.

Please continue to pray for Redemption and for Immanuel. Also, under these new circumstances, if God leads you to help finance Redemption, you can do so by sending contributions to Redemption Church c/o CLB, 1020 W. Alcott Ave., Box 655 Fergus Falls, MN 56538-0655.

Prayer
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