Calamus Fun Days Community Worship Service July 14, 2013 – 10:00 a.m.

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS – Pastor Sarah Kretzmann

THE GATHERING HYMN: "How Great Thou Art

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS – Vicar Michelle Kanzaki

- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, abounding in steadfast love toward us, healing the sick and raising the dead, showering us with every good gift.
- C: Amen.
- P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Just and gracious God,
- C: we come to you for healing and life. Our sins hurt others and diminish us; we confess them to you. Our lives bear the scars of sin; we bring these also to you. Show us your mercy, O God. Bind up our wounds, forgive us our sins, and free us to love, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.
- P: The apostle Paul assures us: "When we were dead in our trespasses, God made us alive together with Christ, nailing the record or our sins to the cross." Jesus says to you, "Your sins are forgiven." Be at peace, and tell everyone how much God has done for you.
- C: Amen.

CHOIR: "Hallelujah! We Shall Rise! by Stan Pethel

THE WORD OF GOD - Pastor Toni Brewster

First Reading: Deuteronomy 30:9—14

P: A reading from Deuteronomy.

The LORD your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all your undertakings, in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your soil. For the LORD will again take delight in prospering you, just as he delighted in prospering your ancestors, when you obey the LORD your God by observing his commandments and decrees that are written in this book of the law, because you turn to the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. It is not in heaven, that you should say, "Who will go up to heaven for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?" Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, "Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?" No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe.

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 25:1—10 (*To be read responsively*) – Pastor Toni Brewster To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

O my God, in you I trust; do not let me be put to shame; do not let my enemies exult over me.

Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame; let them be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

Make me to know your ways, O LORD;

teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth, and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all day long.

Be mindful of your mercy, O LORD, and of your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.

Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for your goodness' sake, O LORD!

Good and upright is the LORD; therefore he instructs sinners in the way.

He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble his way.

All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his decrees.

Second Reading: Colossians 1:1-14 - Pastor Toni Brewster

L: A reading from Colossians.

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,

To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

- L: The Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the tenth chapter. – Pastor Sarah C: Glory to you, O Lord. Kretzmann

Gospel: Luke 10:25-37 – Pastor Sarah Kretzmann

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."

But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

THE SERMON – Pastor Sarah Kretzmann

THE HYMN: "Amazing Grace"

THE OFFERING (*The offering is designated for the CALCO roof project*)

THE CONFESSION OF FAITH - Vicar Michelle Kanzaki P: Let us confess our faith together in the words of the Apostles' Creed. C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven. and is seated at the right hand of the Father. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, And the life everlasting. Amen

THE PRAYERS – Vicar Michelle Kanzaki

(Each petition ends: P: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.)

THE LORD'S PRAYER –Vicar Michelle Kanzaki

- P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray...
- C: 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

SERVICE OF FAREWELL & GODSPEED FOR VICAR MICHELLE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: *A reading from Exodus:* The LORD said, "I am going to send an angel in front of you, to guard you on the way and to bring you to the place that I have prepared." (Exodus 23:20)

A reading from John: Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life." (John 8:12)

Vicar Michelle, when you came to this community we rejoiced to welcome you into the mission we share as the people of God. In this community you have come to know and to share in God's loving purpose for you and for all creation. God has blessed you in this community, and God has blessed us through you.

Gracious God, we thank you for the work and witness of your servant, Vicar Michelle, who has enriched this community and shared her gifts with us. Now bless and preserve her at this time of transition. Day by day, guide her and give her what is needed, friends to cheer her way, and a clear vision of that to which you are now calling her. By your Holy Spirit be present in her pilgrimage, that she may travel with the one who is the way, the truth, and the life, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: Almighty God bless us, and direct our days and our deeds in peace.

C: Amen.

WORDS OF COMMENDATION TO THE COMMUNITY

SENDING

CHOIR: "Go Now In Peace" by Don Besig and Nancy Price

*BLESSING – Pastor Sarah Kretzmann

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen

*DISMISSAL – Pastor Sarah Kretzmann.

P: Go in peace. Proclaim the good news.

C: Thanks be to God.

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Pastor Sarah Kretzmann, Faith Lutheran Church, Our Savior's Lutheran Church Vicar Michelle Kanzaki, St. John Lutheran Church Pastor Toni Brewster, Wesley United Methodist Church St. Paul United Methodist Church Diane Christensen, Choir Director

You are invited to stay for refreshments following the worship service.