"LIFE IN A TENT"

Text: 2 Corinthians 5:1 "Now we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, an eternal house in heaven, not build by human hands."

INTRODUCTION – Camping can be fun, until the tent springs a leak and eventually collapses. Then we long to be home, in a permanent building. Paul, the tentmaker (that was his profession) extols the quality of the building not built by human hands. That building is our spiritual body, created by God according to his Son's spiritual body upon his resurrection.

- 1 Camping arrangements half of the fun.
- 2 Life in a tent can be fun for a while.
- **3** When the tent starts leaking, it is good to know we have a home.
- **4** There is no place like home.
- **5** "Man-made materials" are not lasting.
- **6** Not made by human hands will withstand the test of time, forever!
- 7 We live by faith not by sight.

CONCLUSION – Faith comes through hearing the word of God. Faith believes things not yet seen. Our trust in the word of God is total and absolute: "Faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we not see," says Hebrews 11. People who believed the word of God – even against reason – are extolled until today: Noah, Abraham, Jacob, Joseph, Moses, David, the Apostles. In believing, we are in good company, and have a ticket to the eternal mansions of our Father's house! AMEN.

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Jesus Has Defeated the Devil and Released Us from the Bondage of Sin and Death

The devil deceived us, enticing us to disregard and disobey the Word of God and driving us to hide "from the presence of the LORD God." But the Lord, in His mercy, promised a Savior, who would set Himself against the devil on our behalf (Gen. 3:8–15). The Son of Man came, the incarnate Son of God, conceived and born of the woman. He "first binds the strong man," Satan, by atoning for the sins of the world, thereby removing the condemnation of the Law and the fear of death (Mark 3:27). Now He plunders the devil's house by calling all men to repent. Though He appears to be "out of his mind" (Mark 3:21), He fulfills the will of God and makes of us His own brothers and sisters. Therefore, "we do not lose heart," despite the suffering, sin and death that we experience in this fallen world. "He who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus." By His grace, we are "being renewed day by day." For the Gospel is daily bringing us into His presence, not for punishment, but for "an eternal weight of glory" (2 Cor. 4:14–17).

CHURCH INFORMATION

DIRECTORY UPDATE: We are preparing for our annual Guidebook Directory to be published again, and we need your updated information! If your address, phone number, email address, etc. has changed, please contact the church office to update it. If you have adult children who are members, we would like to update their information as well. There are information forms available in the monthly church newsletter, or on the table in the Narthex.

SPECIAL MISSIONS: For our second quarter missions, our Special Mission offering will support A Place of Refuge Ministries. APOR is a network of volunteers and staff who are committed to life and to caring for women facing crisis pregnancy in South Wisconsin.

MISSIONARY VISIT: We are pleased to welcome the Reverend Michael Paul and his wife, Irene, who serve the church as missionaries in Taiwan. They will be

holding a Bible Class for us in the Sanctuary on Thursday, June 10th at 9am, and speaking at the 7pm Worship Service. Please make plans to join us!

MITES FOR MISSION CENTRAL: We are currently collecting mites for Mission Central, which is located near Mapleton, IA. Their mission is to help missionaries who are preparing to enter the field, as well as those who are currently serving with the funding that is necessary. For more information on how Gary Thies and 100 volunteers serve the church, please visit www.missioncentral.us/missions

LCMS YOUTH GATHERING: If you are currently in grades 7-11 and are interested in attending the 2022 LCMS Youth Gathering next summer in Houston, TX, please make plans to attend a planning meeting on Sunday, June 27 at 5pm. We'll discuss fundraisers and options for travel, as well as answer any questions you may have regarding the trip.

SUMMER READING PROGRAML: Turn all those books you're reading into a chance to win some great prizes! You can kick off your program by grabbing a flyer and a free CPH book from the table in the Narthex. This program is open to kids, youth, and adults, and is great to do with your grandkids too! For more information or to sign up for CPH's reading program, check out cph.org/reads.

FRIDAY NIGHT FUN NIGHT: Save the date for our all-church fun night on Friday, June 18th at 7pm. We'll be showing a family friendly outdoor movie, so bring your lawn chairs, snacks and drinks. Watch for more information in the coming weeks.

YOUTH GROUP: All those who are entering 6th grade-completed 12 grade are invited to join us for youth group on Sundays, June 6 and 27 from 6-8pm. Watch the Youth Newsletter and your email for more information.

FOUND KEYS: A set of keys with a Blessed Savior keychain were found at City Hall last week. If they are yours, please call the church office and describe what's on the key ring to claim them!

FLOWERS, BULLETINS, & SPECIAL MISSIONS SIGN-UP: If you would like to sign up for flowers, bulletins, or special mission contact the church office by email blessedsavior.nb.lcms@gmail.com, or call 262-786-6465.

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSIONS

We pray for those undergoing medical treatment:

Arliss Judy Adeline Laverne Karen

John Holley Nancy Ralph

The Altar flowers are sponsored by Jerry & Marlene Yerges in celebration of their 56th Anniversary.

The Special Mission is sponsored by Rick & Bev Krause in celebration of their granddaughter's birthday.

We pray the Lord to watch over those who are serving in the military.

WEEKLY CALENDAR FOR June 6 - 13

Sun	8:00 am	Worship	
	9:30 am	Worship	Last Week's Offerings:
	6:00pm	Youth Group	\$7,903.34
Mon		Scrip Orders Due	Needed Weekly: \$11,800
Tue	6:30pm	Elders Meeting	110000 1100my. \$11,000
Thur	9:00am	Missionary Bible Study	Attendance: 149
	7:00 pm	Worship	
Sun	8:00 am	Worship & Communion	YouTube Attendance: 65
	9:30 am	Worship & Communion	