

# EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 15, 2018 ♦ 9:00 am



“He chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world.”

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## GATHERING

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WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, full of compassion and mercy, abounding in steadfast love.

**Amen.**

Trusting God’s promise of forgiveness, let us confess our sin against God and one another.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

Eternal God our creator,

**in you we live and move and have our being.**

**Look upon us, your children,**

**the work of your hands.**

**Forgive us all our offenses,**

**and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty desires.**

**By your grace draw us near to you,**

**our refuge and our strength;**

**through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Since we are justified by faith,

we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit given to us.

In the mercy of almighty God,

Christ died for us while we were still sinners;

and for his sake, God ☩ forgives you all your sins.

**Amen.**

PROCESSIONAL HYMN "All Are Welcome"



1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safe - ly  
 2 Let us build a house where proph-ets speak, and words are strong and  
 3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter, wine and  
 4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the wood and  
 5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and vi - sions



live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell how  
 true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek to  
 wheat: a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground where  
 stone to heal and strength - en, serve and teach, and  
 heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed as



hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and  
 dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as  
 peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through  
 live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the  
 words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and



vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of  
 wit - ness and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as one we  
 Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we share in  
 strang-er bear the im - age of God's face; let us bring an  
 laugh-ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house pro -



Christ shall end di - vi - sions:  
 claim the faith of Je - sus:  
 Christ the feast that frees us: All are wel - come,  
 end to fear and dan - ger:  
 claim from floor to raf - ter:



all are wel - come, all are wel - come in this place.

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 Music: TWO OAKS, Marty Haugen  
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GREETING

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

KYRIE (*Kyrie, eleison* means “O Lord, have mercy”)

**All sing:**

*Refrain*

Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.

Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.

For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all;  
for this holy house, for all who worship and praise,  
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord

**All sing refrain**

That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor;  
that we may live out truth and justice and grace,  
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord

**All sing refrain**

For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family;  
for life and for love, for our work and our play,  
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord

**All sing refrain**

For your Spirit to guide; that you center our lives in the water and the Word;  
that you nourish our souls with your body and blood,  
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord

**All sing refrain**



HYMN OF PRAISE "This is the feast . . ."

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic - t'ry for our God, for the



Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be



peo - ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and

*Refrain*



hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his. This is the feast of



vic - t'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al -



le - lu - ia. 2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and



join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,



glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Final refrain*



This is the feast of vic - t'ry for our God, for the



Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Merciful God,

**Through Jesus Christ, you have lavished on us every spiritual blessing we could possibly imagine!**

**Before the world was created, you already knew us and loved us.**

**You adopted us as your own children, and redeemed us through the blood of Christ.**

**Even more, you have made us your heirs, and given us your own Spirit as a sign and guarantee.**

**Open our hearts and minds to your presence among us here**

**and give us faith to receive your promises.**

**Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

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## SERVICE OF THE WORD

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### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

#### SCRIPTURE READING Ephesians 1:3-14

<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, <sup>4</sup>just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. <sup>5</sup>He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, <sup>6</sup>to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. <sup>7</sup>In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace <sup>8</sup>that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight <sup>9</sup>he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in

Christ, <sup>10</sup>as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. <sup>11</sup>In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, <sup>12</sup>so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. <sup>13</sup>In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; <sup>14</sup>this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

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chose  
us

HYMN OF THE DAY "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

1. Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling,  
 2. Come, al - might - y to de - liv - er,  
 3. Fin - ish then your new cre - a - tion,

Joy of heav'n to earth come down!  
 Let us all your life re - ceive;  
 Pure and spot - less, gra - cious Lord,

Fix in us your hum - ble dwell - ing,  
 Sud - den - ly re - turn and nev - er,  
 Let us see your great sal - va - tion

All your faith - ful mer - cies crown.  
 Nev - er more your tem - ples leave.  
 Per - fect - ly in you re - stored.

Je - sus, source of all com - pas - sion,  
 Lord, we would be al - ways bless - ing,  
 Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,

Love un - bound - ed, love all pure;  
 Serve you as your hosts a - bove,  
 Till in heav'n we take our place,

Vis - it us with your sal - va - tion,  
 Pray, and praise you with - out ceas - ing,  
 Till we sing be - fore the al - might - y

Let your love in us en - dure.  
 Glo - ry in your pre - cious love.  
 Lost in won - der, love and praise.

SERMON

## APOSTLES' CREED

**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.**

**He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**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**

## PRAYERS

*(response to each petition:)*

Hear us, O God,

**your mercy is great.**

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

## OFFERING

### OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

**Merciful God,**

**you open wide your hand**

**and satisfy the need of every living thing.**

**You have set this feast before us.**

**Open our hands to receive it.**

**Open our hearts to embrace it.**

**Open our lives to live it.**

**We pray this through Christ our Lord.**

**Amen.**

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## SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

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### PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

He chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world.

**In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us.**

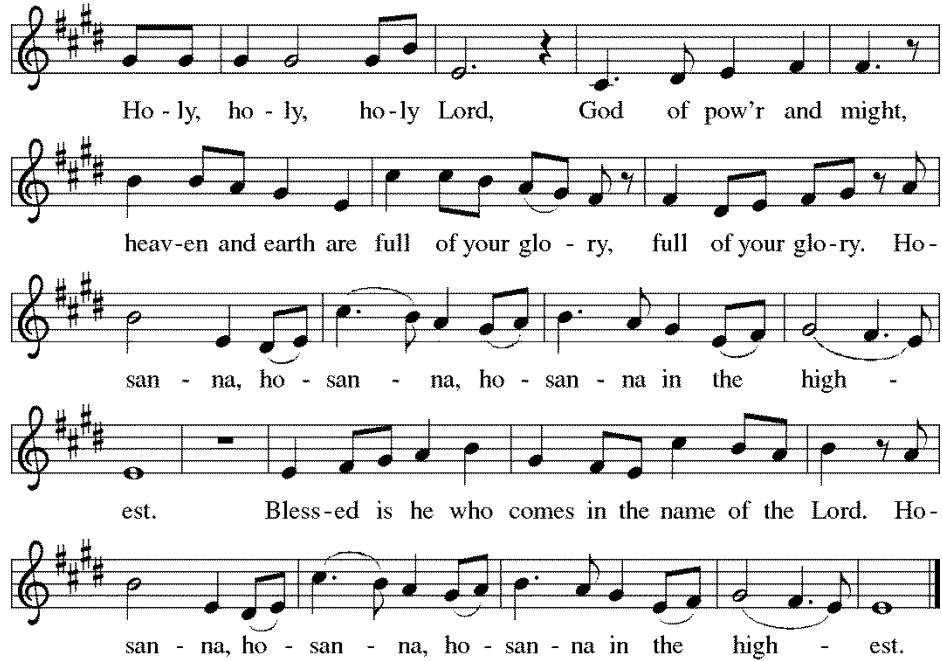
Thanks and praise to you, heavenly Father, for the grace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

He overcame death by his resurrection and opened up for us the way to eternal life with you.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS ("Holy, holy, holy")



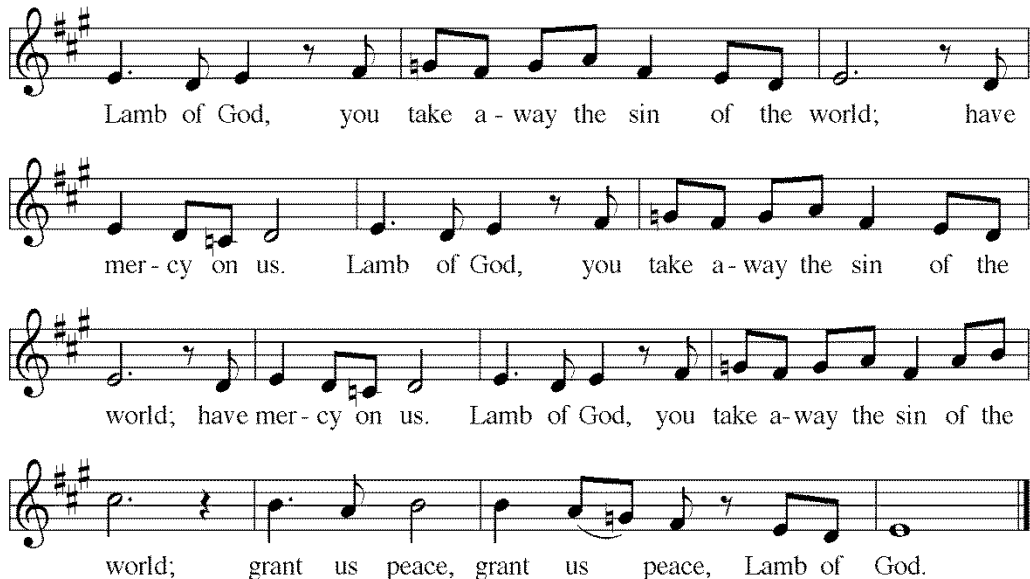
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -  
est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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**

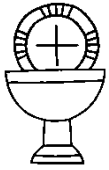
AGNUS DEI ("Lamb of God")



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.



## COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION



Scripture says, “Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup we proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.” 1 Corinthians 11:26. Martin Luther’s Small Catechism says, “Holy Communion is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ Himself for us Christians to eat and drink.” All baptized Christians who have been instructed in this confession of faith and who share our belief in the real presence of Christ in the sacrament for the forgiveness of sins are invited to the Lord’s Table today. Children who have not received their first communion are invited to come to the table and receive a blessing.

As you approach the table down the aisles, receive an empty cup from the cart.

- Proceed to the left or the right and gather around the altar.
- After each gathered group has communed, they are dismissed in peace.
- As you return to your seat down the side aisles, place your cup in the racks on the tables to your left or right.
- **Non-alcoholic wine** is offered in pre-filled cups for those who cannot drink alcohol. These cups are marked in the rack.
- **Gluten-free** (and dairy-free and nut-free) **wafers** are offered in the small white bowl on the communion cart for those who prefer this option.

## COMMUNION SONGS “We Come to the Hungry Feast”



1 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a word of peace.  
 2 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a world re - leased  
 3 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry that the hun - ger cease,

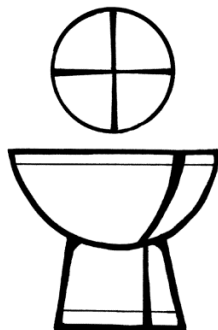


To hun - gry hearts un - sat - is - fied the love of God is  
 from hun - gry folk of ev - 'ry kind, the poor in bod - y,  
 and know - ing, though we eat our fill, the hun - ger will stay

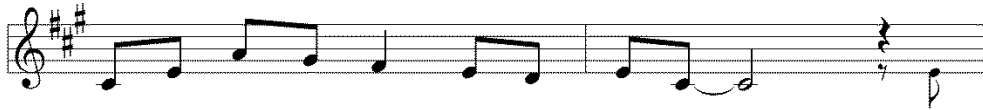


not de - nied. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.  
 poor in mind. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.  
 with us; still we come, we come to the hun - gry feast.

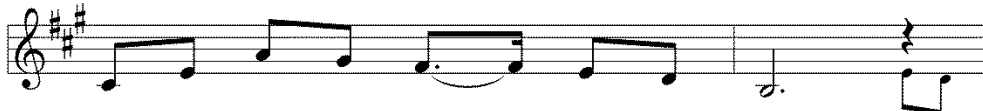
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 Music: HUNGRY FEAST, Ray Makeever, b. 1943



"You Are Mine"



1 "I will come to you in the si - lence,  
 2 "I am hope for all who are hope - less,  
 3 "I am strength for all the des - pair - ing,  
 (4) am the Word that leads all to free - dom, I



I will lift you from all your fear.  
 I am eyes for all who long to see. In the  
 heal - ing for the ones who dwell in shame.  
 am the peace the world can - not give.



You will hear my voice, I claim you as my choice. Be  
 shad - ows of the night, I will be your light.  
 All the blind will see, the lame will all run free, and  
 I will call your name, em - brac - ing all your pain. Stand



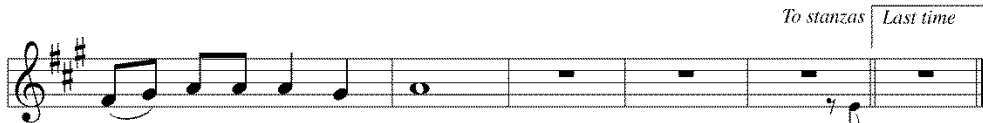
still and know I am here. (To stanza 2)  
 Come and rest in me. (To refrain)  
 all will know my name. (To refrain)  
 up, now walk and live! (To refrain)



*Refrain*  
 Do not be a - fraid, I am with you. I have called you each by



name. Come and fol - low me, I will bring you home; I



love you and you are mine." 4 "I

Text: David Haas  
 Music: YOU ARE MINE, David Haas

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# SENDING

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## DISMISSAL

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and keep us in his grace.

**Amen**

## THANKSGIVING PRAYER

Jesus Christ, host of this meal,  
**you have given us not only this bread and cup,  
but your very self, that we may feast on your great love.  
Filled again by these signs of your grace,  
may we hunger for your reign of justice,  
may we thirst for your way of peace,  
for you are Lord forevermore. Amen**

## BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.  
**Amen.**

Go in peace. Christ lives in you.

**Thanks be to God.**

## CLOSING HYMN "Lead On, O King Eternal"



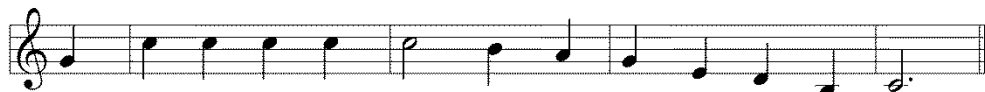
1 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal! The day of march has come;  
2 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, till sin's fierce war shall cease,  
3 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal: we fol - low, not with fears,



hence-forth in fields of con - quest your tents will be our home.  
and ho - li - ness shall whis - per the sweet a - men of peace;  
for glad-ness breaks like morn - ing wher - e'er your face ap - pears.



Through days of prep - a - ra - tion your grace has made us strong;  
for not with swords loud clash - ing, nor roll of stir - ring drums,  
Your cross is lift - ed o'er us; we jour - ney in its light;



and now, O King e - ter - nal, we lift our bat - tle song.  
but deeds of love and mer - cy the heav'n - ly king - dom comes.  
the crown a - waits the con - quest; lead on, O God of might!

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SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Worship leader and Preacher	Jon Marxhausen
Elder	Tom Schoenberg
Piano	Mary Dinesen
Lector	Kathy Rehbein
Greeter	Roger & Nancy Prigge
Ushers	Dan & Jason Evenson
Acolyte/Crucifer	John Frelix

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ALL ARE INVITED FOR FELLOWSHIP AND TREATS AFTER  
WORSHIP TODAY!

A \$1 suggested donation for treats and coffee helps us to continue to serve our fellowship times!

DON'T FORGET YOUR 3-MINUTE MINISTRY

# Welcome Friends!

Thank you for worshipping with us today.  
 Please fill out a welcome card and place it in the basket on the table in the entryway.  
 Help yourself to a welcome packet that will tell you more about the ministry at Grace of God.

You are always welcome at Grace of God.



## GRACE OF GOD MISSION STATEMENT

Grace of God is a Christ-centered community gathered around Word and Sacrament, preaching Christ crucified, serving our neighbor and discovering what it means to live under the grace of God.

## SMALL CHILDREN ARE WELCOME IN WORSHIP AT GRACE OF GOD

“Busy bags” for young children are available in the classroom adjacent to the worship space near the doors.  
 That room also has a speaker to hear the worship service.

## SERVING IN WORSHIP

DATE	ELDER	ACOLYTE	LECTOR	USHERS	GREETERS
7/15/18	Tom Schoenberg	John Frelix	Kathy Rehbein	Dan & Jason Evenson	Roger & Nancy Prigge
7/22/18	Tom Schoenberg	Jake Richter	Eileen Ocone	Jerry Corson/ Bruce Gilman	Jim and Jan Roth
7/29/18	Tom Schoenberg	George Zetterwall	Janice Henderson	Jenny Hanson/ Derek Nutzman	Bob and Lori Koeritzer

# grace happens

July 15 -22, 2018

### Sunday, July 15

9:00 am PENTECOST 8  
 BRING A FRIEND TO CHURCH SUNDAY!  
 11:00 am PICNIC

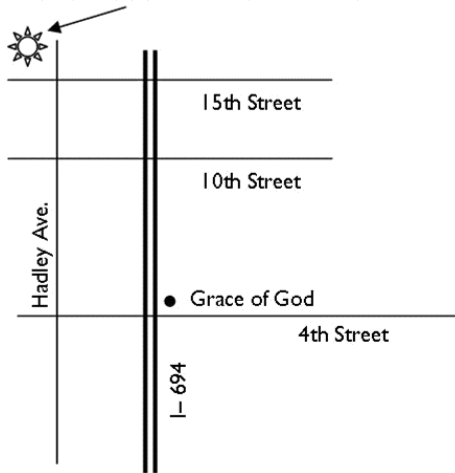
### Sunday, July 22

9:00 am PENTECOST 9  
 Fellowship time after worship



Come join your friends at  
Grace of God Lutheran Church for a

# PICNIC



**TODAY**  
**at 11:00 am**

*Richard Walton Park in Oakdale*

*We'll gather up for a table prayer at 11:00 am at the picnic shelter (watch for the Grace of God banner)*

**SURPRISE TREAT AT THIS PICNIC!!!**  
**You don't want to miss it!**

## CLEANING CREW SCHEDULE

July 19 – July 21	TEAM 2 Lori Ruppel/Doreen/Pat Randall Becky Vigstol
July 26 – July 28	TEAM 3 Cami Hartleben and Shirley Muelken
Aug 2 – 4	TEAM 4 Roxanne Cleary/Jeff & Jill Olofson/Allen & Sally Warren



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**AUGUST 14-16**  
**6-8 pm**

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**We need unlit artificial Christmas trees!! See Catherine Smith**  
**We ALSO need:**  
**Wrapping paper tubes, plastic jars and**  
**a couple of two-person tents**



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