

**SERMON**                    *“It Works by Faith”*                    **Pastor Jenny Lee**  
*(If you could not join our Service, one of your family members may read the written sermon, or view the video clip on Facebook, or listen to the sermon by phone.)*

**We Respond to God’s Word**

**RESPONDING PRAYER**    Unison  
Mighty Ruler, Teacher of all who are willing to grow, let us hear enough of your Word to be astounded. Let us see as many of your deeds as will make us eager to join in outreach to people in need. Help us to grow in faith, and grant us enough of Christ’s vision and compassion that our weakness may be useful to you in proclaiming your word, sharing your grace, and engaging in your ministry. Let us move forward with faith. We pray in Jesus’ name. Amen.

**SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**UMH 95**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**    Unison

Thank you, God, for your steadfast love. We offer our praise; may it reach to the ends of the earth. We ask that our gifts empower ministry in this place and wherever our influence can reach. Let unbelief be turned to faith, ignorance to knowledge, sickness to health, brokenness to wholeness, both in us and in our neighbors near and far. Guide us, as we seek to invest our best for the sake of Christ. Amen.

**We Go Forth to Love God and Serve One Another**

**\*HYMN**

*Spirit of Faith, Come Down*

**UMH 332 (vs. 1, 2 & 4)**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**Pastor Jenny Lee**

**POSTLUDE**

# Upper St. Croix Parish

**ONE Parish THREE Churches:**  
**Grantsburg: Central, Atlas, St. Croix Falls**  
**July 4th, 2021**  
**“Sixth Sunday after Pentecost”**  
**“Independence Day”**



**The United Methodist Church**

**8:30 AM at Central-Grantsburg with Online Zoom Service**  
**9:45 AM at Atlas Park**  
**11:15 AM at St. Croix Falls**

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[www.upperstcroixparish.org](http://www.upperstcroixparish.org)

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\*Please stand if you are able.

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PASSING OF THE GREETINGS**

*“Peace be with you”*

**We Celebrate New Life in Christ**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**      Responsive

Great is our God and greatly to be praised.

Worship the One whose grace covers all our needs.

**The God of host is with us here.**

**We praise, with joy, God’s holy name.**

Ponder God’s steadfast love in the temple.

Practice sharing that love while we are together.

**God’s love is amazing, beyond our understanding.**

**We seek to share the love we are receiving.**

We are here to be equipped for the journey of life.

We have gathered that our daily witness might be empowered.

**Sometimes we are not strong enough to love.**

**We pray that God will use our weakness for good. Amen.**

**\*OPENING HYMN**      *Lift Every Voice and Sing*

UMH (vs. 1 & 3)

**OPENING PRAYER**      Unison      (The United Methodist Book of Worship)

**Almighty God, you rule all the people of the earth. Inspire the minds of all women and men to whom you have committed the responsibility of government and leadership in the nations of the world. Give to them the vision of truth and justice, that by their counsel all nations and peoples may work together. Give to the people of our country zeal for justice and strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will. Forgive our shortcomings as a nation; purify our hearts to see and**

**love the truth. We pray for all these things through Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**CHILDREN’S TIME**

**Sacrament of Holy Communion**

**INVITATION FOR COMMUNION**

Pastor Jenny Lee

**CONFESSION AND PARDON**      Unison

**Merciful God,**

**We confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.**

**We have failed to be an obedient church.**

**We have not done your will,**

**we have broken your law,**

**we have rebelled against your love,**

**we have not loved our neighbors,**

**and we have not heard the cry of the needy.**

**Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience,**

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

(All pray in silence)

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;

that proves God’s love toward us.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! **Amen.**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

UMH 13-14 (See Insert)

**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**GIVING (TAKING) HOLY COMMUNION**

**COMMUNION PRAYER**      Unison

**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Proclamation of God’s Word**

**\*THE GOSPEL LESSON**

Mark 6:1-13 (See Insert)

This is the word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

## 11. This Week's Birthdays and Anniversaries:

\*If we miss your birthday, please let us know by email or phone call: [centralumc2016@gmail.com](mailto:centralumc2016@gmail.com) / 715-463-2624

**Betty Benjamin** 7/8



**Maggie Wright** 7/8

### \*THE GOSPEL LESSON

### Mark 6:1-13

6 He left that place and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. 2 On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! 3 Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. 4 Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." 5 And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. 6 And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. 7 He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. 8 He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; 9 but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. 10 He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. 11 If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." 12 So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. 13 They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

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**Thanks be to God.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

O the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "take, eat; this is my body which given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over, he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

*(You may hold hands, palms down, over the bread and cup which you prepared, or pre-received.)*

**(Together) Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.**

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever. Amen.

## Announcements (Insert) July 4th, 2021

1. Today is “Sixth Sunday after Pentecost,” and “Independence Day” in the United States. May God bless you to enjoy the gift of freedom in God!
2. Sunday Service time: At 8:30 am in Grantsburg-Central, 9:45 am in Atlas, and at 11:15 am in St. Croix Falls. Zoom service will be at 8:30 am.
3. VOLUNTEERS NEEDED- You may find signup sheets for volunteers at the back of the sanctuary.  
**Grantsburg: Liturgist**  
This Sunday (7/4): Mark Nelson  
Sunday (7/11): LuAnne Martell  
  
**Atlas : Liturgist**  
This Sunday (7/4): Wendell Hauble,  
Sunday (7/11): Sue Olson  
  
**St. Croix Falls: Liturgist**  
This Sunday (7/4): Karen Sciacca,  
Sunday (7/11): Volunteer needed
4. Mission in July:
  - Grantsburg: Collecting the school supplies (Questions to Deb Hammer.715-463-4309)
  - Atlas: Collecting the School supplies (Questions to Sue Olson: 715-554-3126)
  - St. Croix Falls: Supporting Harbor House (Questions to Karen Sciacca: 715-338-1865)
5. Pastor Jenny will be out of office July 6th and 7th due to ICD training in Verona, WI.
6. We will begin the two small group gatherings in August: Prayer Group and Craft Group.( See the insert, questions to Pastor Jenny)
7. An Online Zoom Service is scheduled for this Sunday at 8:30 am. Here is the Zoom service LINK. This link will be posted on our parish website and Facebook page. The link will be the same unless we give you the other notice.

Topic: Upper St. Croix Parish's Sunday Zoom Service  
Time: Sundays, 08:30 AM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84147808460?pwd=SDZlZFNummEvaDBlcytTRzVxMFIIZz09>

Meeting ID: 841 4780 8460      Passcode: 568271

*\*Please notice that it works only when the host opens it at service time on Sunday. When you check the other time, it doesn't work.*

Phone: +1 312 626 6799,

Meeting ID: 841 4780 8460, Passcode: 568271

Any questions regarding technological issues of the service, contact Pastor Jenny.

8. You can hear “the service (the scripture lesson, song, sermon and prayer-about 30 minutes) by phone” whenever you are able by calling 1-715-298-0854. We will upload a new one every Sunday afternoon.
9. If you miss a Sunday service, you may view a video clip on Facebook or use materials (mailed, emailed or on the Parish website) for a home service. We have the link to our parish Facebook page on the homepage of our website. New clips will be uploaded every Sunday afternoon.
10. You may want to send your giving (offerings) to your church. If you have any questions regarding services or offerings, please email the church office at: [centralumc2016@gmail.com](mailto:centralumc2016@gmail.com).

You may send your giving (offering) to the church at the address listed below (**Please make your check payable to your individual church's name.**)

**Atlas UMC:** PO Box 254, Luck, WI 54853

**Grantsburg-Central UMC:** PO Box 128, Grantsburg, WI 54840

**St. Croix Falls UMC:** PO Box 458, St. Croix Falls, WI 54024