

good fruit. ¹⁹ Every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire. ²⁰ Thus you will know them by their fruits.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Pastor Diane Greble, Associate Pastor

SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Niklaus C. Schillack, Senior Pastor

SHARING OF THE PEACE

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Richard DeVore

A: Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the church and the needs of the world.

A brief silence.

A: Life-giving God, you have called your people to lose their lives for Jesus’s sake. Strengthen your church to follow you in the face of difficulty. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: Creator God, you know every sparrow that falls to the ground. Protect migrating birds, endangered species, and their natural habitats. Empower us to care for your creation. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: Sovereign God, you call us to act justly and love mercy. Protect those to whom we have not shown the abounding love of Jesus. Bring an end to oppression and bigotry in all forms. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: Sustaining God, you promise to provide for us. Help those living with disabilities. Comfort those experiencing any sort of illness or suffering (*especially those we now name aloud or in the quiet of our hearts*). God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: Empowering God, strengthen us to live out our diverse callings. We pray especially for fathers and father figures, that they show your compassion and care. We pray for all for whom this day is difficult or painful. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: Faithful God, we give thanks for saints who have claimed their baptismal promises (*especially those we now name aloud or in the quiet of our hearts*). May we follow their example of faith and service. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, O God, through Jesus our Savior.

C: Amen.

STEWARDSHIP READING

Matthew 6:21

Pastor Niklaus

(Jesus said,) “For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

OFFERING

“Breathe”

OFFERING PRAYER

Pastor Diane

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

LORD’S PRAYER

HOLY COMMUNION LITANY

P: Come to the table of grace, all who hunger for God.

C: **We come seeking living water.**

P: Come, all who are weary and searching for rest.

C: **Root us in the love of Christ.**

P: Here, God nourishes the weary soul.

C: **Here, Christ feeds us with mercy and hope.**

P: As trees planted by flowing streams,

C: **May we grow in faith and bear fruit in love.**

P: As we share one bread and one cup,

C: **Make us one body, rooted in your peace. Nourish us, O God, for the life of the world. Amen.**

HOLY COMMUNION

POST HOLY COMMUNION BLESSING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Niklaus

BLESSING

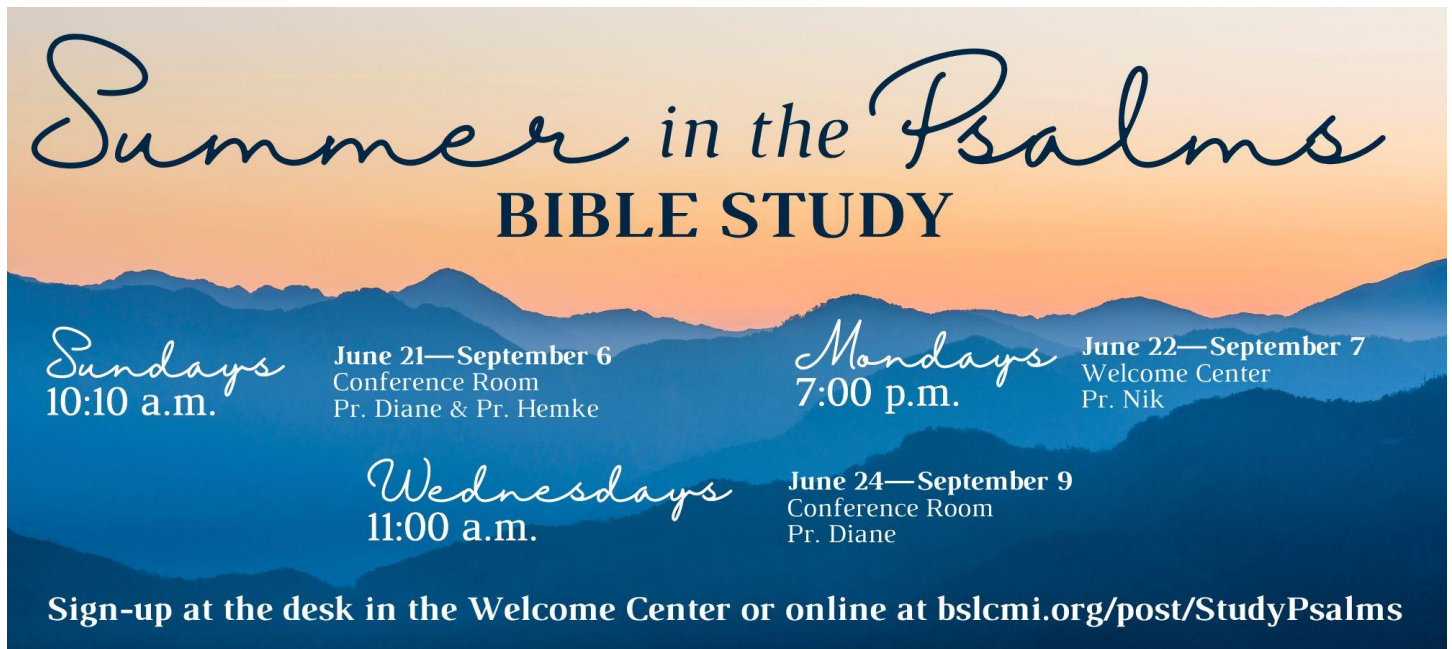
P: Go planted in God's love, nourished by living water, bearing fruit for the life of the world.

C: **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

"Praise"

DISMISSAL



The poster features a background of blue mountains under a sunset sky. The title "Summer in the Psalms" is written in a large, elegant cursive font, with "BIBLE STUDY" in a bold, sans-serif font below it. The study schedule is organized into three sections: Sundays (10:10 a.m., June 21–September 6, Conference Room, Pr. Diane & Pr. Hemke), Mondays (7:00 p.m., June 22–September 7, Welcome Center, Pr. Nik), and Wednesdays (11:00 a.m., June 24–September 9, Conference Room, Pr. Diane). A sign-up instruction is provided at the bottom: "Sign-up at the desk in the Welcome Center or online at bslcmi.org/post/StudyPsalms".

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July 1-4

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First Fruits Sundays

CLOTHES CLOSET & FOOD COLLECTION
FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH

CLOTHING

MEN'S PANTS
CHILDREN'S CLOTHING
NEW SOCKS & GLOVES
NEW UNDERWEAR
(CHILDREN & ADULT)
DIAPERS & WIPES

FOOD ITEMS

QUICK FULL MEALS:
CANNED CHILI
HAMBURGER HELPER
CASSEROLE & SKILLET STARTERS

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