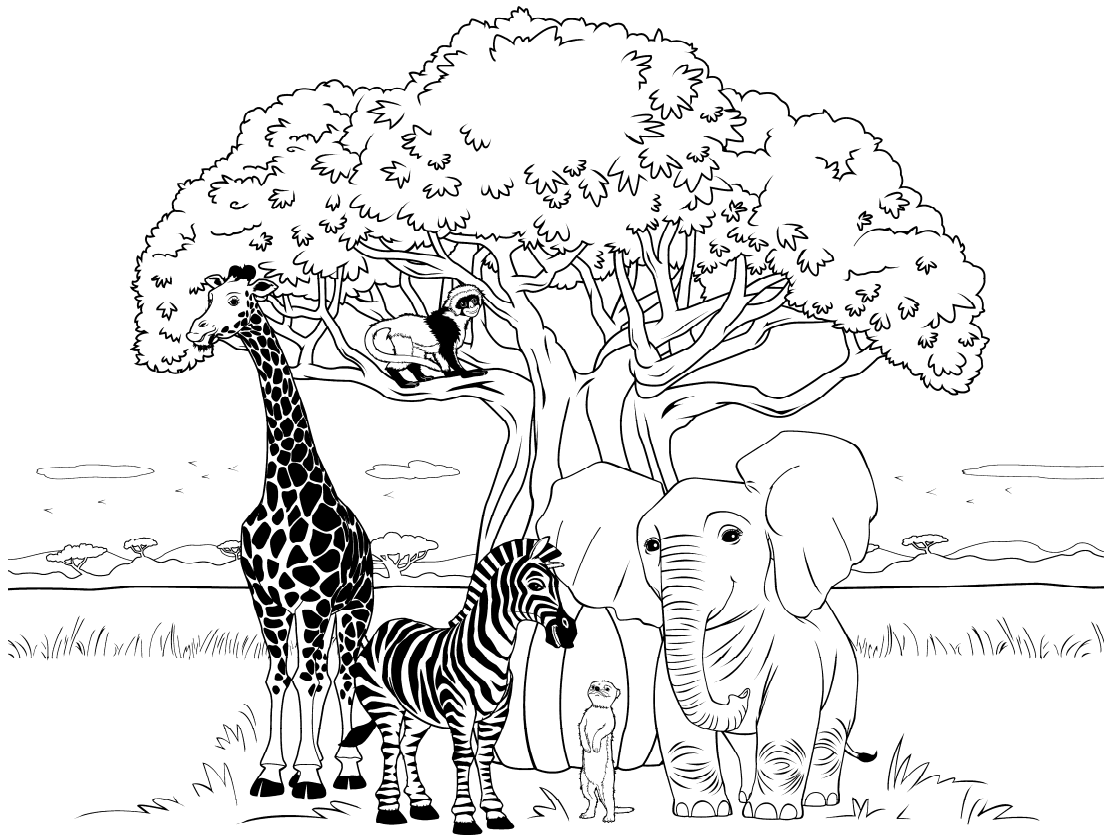


Vacation Bible School

BAOBAB BLAST



Closing Celebration

Welcome to Worship

We are a Reconciling in Christ Congregation: *In response to God's love we invite and welcome all, worship and celebrate, teach and learn, serve and share.* (Marin Lutheran Church Mission Statement)

Visitors with us are most welcome! Please fill out your name and contact information on the yellow welcome card in the hymnal rack in front of you, and let us know how we can serve you. We *welcome everyone* in the name of our risen Christ and we pray that during this time of worship, you will sense God's presence and hear God's message of healing love. *Children are welcome* and may join in children's time when a special message is presented. Let us worship together!

During our service:

- Today we give praise to God using the bulletin. You will need only this to guide you through the service.
- *The Sacrament of Holy Communion* will be celebrated. All who believe that Christ's sustaining and forgiving presence comes to us through this bread, wine and grape juice are invited to share in this meal. Children are welcome to commune or to come forward for a blessing.
- *Assisted Listening Devices* are available in a basket in the entrance foyer.
- *Child Care* – through age five – is available in the Child Care Center, just below the church each Sunday.
- *Children's Bulletins* are available. If you would like one please ask the usher.
- *Special Prayer Requests* If you have special prayer requests, please write them on the back side of the yellow welcome card found in a pocket folder in the hymnal rack in front of you. The ushers will collect them during the hymn following the sermon.

If you are a first time worshipper, Marin Lutheran Church information packets are available on a table in the entrance foyer.

Christian Education Sunday School, Youth & Adult classes are held between services from September through May. Classes resume September 20, 2009.

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VBS CLOSING CELEBRATION
August 8, 2010 11:00am Service

GATHERING

PRELUDE *Medley of Songs* Robert Allen

WELCOME Pastor Kathryn Gulbranson

Please stand as you are able

GATHERING SONG *Baobab Blast*

Verse 1 God is calling all creation,
Baobab Blast, Baobab Blast!

Every tribe and every nation,
it's a Baobab Blast!

Chorus It's a Baobab, it's a Baobab Blast!
Tell everybody, God's great get-together,
it's a Baobab Blast!

It's a Baobab, it's a Baobab Blast!
Tell everybody, God's great get-together,
it's a Baobab Blast, Blast, a big Blast

Verse 2 Gather round and hear the story,
Baobab Blast, Baobab Blast!

Celebrate God's love and glory,
it's a Baobab Blast!

Chorus

OPENING PRAYER

Cooper Jacobs

Leader: The Lord be with you

People: **And also with you**

Leader: Thank you God, for helping us to trust you.

People: **Thank you God, for always being with us. Amen**

Please be seated

WORD

CHILDREN'S SONG

East and West

VBS Kids

BIBLE READING:

Genesis 12:1-9

Miles Marymor

Now the Lord said to Abram, 'Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. ²I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.'

⁴So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. ⁵Abram took his wife Sarai and his brother's son Lot, and all the possessions that they had gathered, and the persons whom they had acquired in Haran; and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan, ⁶Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. ⁷Then the Lord appeared to Abram, and said, 'To your offspring I will give this land.' So he built there an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him. ⁸From there he moved on to the hill country on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; and there he built an altar to the Lord and invoked the name of the Lord. ⁹And Abram journeyed on by stages towards the Negeb.

A: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

BIBLE DRAMA

Caitlin Jacobs & Robert Allen

Please stand as you are able

SONG

Share the Good News

Share the good news of Christ
with everybody that you know.

Share the good news of Christ,
and spread your faith wherever you go.

Share your faith. Share your love.
Share your trust in God's word.

Share the good news,
share the story.
Spread the word about God's glory.

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 5th chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL READING:

Luke 5:1-11

Kirsta Rodriguez McKee

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, ²he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. ³He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. ⁴When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, 'Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.' ⁵Simon answered, 'Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.' ⁶When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. ⁷So they signalled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. ⁸But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, 'Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!' ⁹For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; ¹⁰and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.' ¹¹When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

L: The Gospel of the Lord

C: **Praise to you O Christ**

Be seated

BIBLE DRAMA

Caitlin Jacobs & Robert Allen

BLESSING THE BACKPACKS

SONG

Our Lord You Chose Me to Care

Chorus Our Lord, you chose me to care for your people.
Our Lord, you chose me to care.
Our Lord, you chose me to care for your people.
Our Lord, you chose me to care.

Verse 1 They are the needy, who need some comfort.
They are the homeless, who need some shelter.
They are the hungry, who need to eat.
Our Lord, you chose me to care.

Chorus

Verse 2 They are the tired, who need to rest.
They are the wounded, who need some care.
They are the lost, who need direction.
Our Lord, you chose me to care.

Chorus

Please stand as you are able

THE PRAYERS

Written by 4th - 6th grade VBS kids

Bridget: Dear God, I am thankful that you made the world and everybody on earth.

People: **Thank you, God.**

Brooke: Dear God, I'm thankful for shelter. I'm thankful for my fish, bird, dog and cat. I'm thankful for food and water. I'm thankful for being strong and healthy.

People: **Thank you, God.**

Cooper: Dear God, thank you for saving me from death in a car accident.

People: **Thank you, God.**

Shaylene: Dear God, I am thankful for all the things I have when kids in Africa don't have anything.

People: **Thank you, God.**

Luke: Dear God, I am thankful for baseball.

People: **Thank you, God.**

Sophie: Dear God, I am thankful that you created the water so I can get a drink and get wet. I am also thankful that I am alive, healthy, and have a house. Also, I'm thankful my parents are alive. Last but not least, I am thankful there is Jesus so I can go to church.

People: **Thank you, God.**

Pastor: We thank you for the gift of Holy Baptism – forgiveness, the Holy Spirit and eternal life. Bless all those who are celebrating their baptismal anniversaries, especially, Sophie, Ellery, Giorgia and Owen.

People: **Thank you, God.**

Shane: Dear God, I am thankful for everything you've given me and my family. In Jesus' name, all God's people say,

People: **Amen!**

SHARING THE PEACE

We greet each other with love and compassion.

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

Greet one another with a sign of peace.

Be seated

MEAL

A TIME OF SHARING OFFERINGS

Pastor Kathryn Gulbranson

*Our special VBS offering today is being collected for the **Lutheran Malaria Initiative**. With support from the United Nations Foundation this is an international effort to reduce infant and child mortality and reduce the overall incidences of malaria in Africa and around the globe. Throughout the week the kids and staff at VBS have learned what can be done to help in this fight against malaria. (\$10 buys a bed net.) Envelopes are available for these special offerings. Make your check payable to MLC – these will be added to the offerings received during the week and 100% will go towards fighting malaria.*

AFRICAN DANCE

Zebola

Kin Agnew & VBS Kids

Stand as you are able

OFFERTORY

We Have Heard the Call

Verse 1 We have heard the call to follow Jesus.
We have heard the call so we will follow in JOY;
Follow in JOY, we will follow in JOY.
We have heard the call so we will follow Jesus in JOY.

Verse 2 We have heard the call to follow Jesus.
We have heard the call so we will follow in HOPE;
Follow in HOPE, we will follow in HOPE.
We have heard the call so we will follow Jesus in HOPE.

Verse 3 We have heard the call to follow Jesus.
We have heard the call so we will follow in PEACE;
Follow in PEACE, we will follow in PEACE.
We have heard the call so we will follow Jesus in PEACE.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P. The Lord be with you.

C. And also with you.

P. Lift up your hearts.

C. We lift them to the Lord.

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C. It is right to give God thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All who believe that Christ comes to us through this bread and wine are invited to the communion table.

*Please come forward as you have been instructed by Pastor Gulbranson. **White grape juice** is provided on each tray of glasses. You may take **red wine** or **white grape juice** from the **individual glasses** or drink from the **common cup**.*

(The communion bread this morning has been made by our VBS kids in grades 2-5.)

Be seated

DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION SONGS

Love Never Fails

Verse 1 I am learning to be kind each and every day.
Love never fails.
The love of God's a light that shows me the way.
Love never fails.

Chorus And we're singing, love never fails.
The Bible tells us, love never fails.

The love of God's a light that shows me the way.
Love never fails.

Verse 2 I am learning to forgive each and every day.
Love never fails.
The love of God's a light that shows me the way.
Love never fails.

Chorus *repeat*

Sanctuary

Chloe Jacobs & Kirsta Rodriguez McKee

Stand as you are able

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

People: **Amen**

SENDING

BENEDICTION

Easton English & Kristian

Leaders: May God's Love and peace and joy shine upon all of us!

People: **Amen**

SONG *Share the Good News* Sing twice

Share the good news of Christ
with everybody that you know.

Share the good news of Christ,
and spread your faith wherever you go.

Share your faith. Share your love.
Share your trust in God's word.

Share the good news,
share the story.
Spread the word about God's glory.

Share the good news of Christ
with everybody that you know.

Share the good news of Christ,
and spread your faith wherever you go.

DISMISSAL

We go out into our daily lives renewed, refreshed and restored for service in the world.

Pastor: Go and share the good news.

People: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE *God's Love is Great* VBS Music Team

VBS Picnic: We invite you to join us for a picnic immediately following this service. It's a time to enjoy fun and fellowship.

Raffle Drawing: The raffle drawing for the Baobab Quilt and Pillow will take place during the picnic. If you are still interested in buying raffle tickets, please do so immediately following this service. The proceeds will be added to our offerings and go towards the malaria initiative.

Worship Assistants

Usher	Michael Houts
Readers	Miles Marymor & Kirsta Rodriguez McKee
Prayers read by	Bridget Bergman, Nik Gable, Cooper Jacobs, Shaylene Baker, Sophie Stankus, Joseph Diaz
Communion Assistants	Morgan Gable & Kristian Gable
Sound	John Bischoff
Altar Guild	Janet Foster
Counters	Kamphoefners
Music Leaders	Cheri Houts, Pastor Rod Seeger, Andrew Chilson, Robert Allen
African Dance/Drum	Kim Agnew

This Week's Calendar

Sunday	Aug 8	9:00am	Worship Service
		10:15am	A Time for Fellowship
		11:00am	Worship Service – Closing Celebration for VBS
		12:00pm	VBS Picnic
		8:00pm	AA Meeting
Monday	Aug 9		Pastor Tom office hours – 10:00am-2:00pm
			Pastor Kathryn – day off
		9:30am	OA Meeting
		6:30pm	MA Meeting
		7:30pm	Men's Alanon
Tuesday	Aug 10		Pastor Tom & Kathryn office hours – 10:00am-2:00pm
		7:00pm	SLAA Meeting
Wednesday	Aug 11		Pastor Tom office hours – 10:00am-12:00pm
		10:30am	KidzKlub (gr. 1-5) Swimming/Picnic at McNear's Beach
		12:15pm	Men's Lunch – American Legion Hall, Larkspur
		3:30pm	Senior High – serve dinner at teen shelter in Berkeley
Thursday	Aug 12		Pastor Kathryn office hours – 10:00am-2:00pm
			Pastor Tom – day off
Friday	Aug 13		Pastors' day off
		9:30am	OA Meeting
		8:30pm	AA Meeting

Saturday	Aug 14	10:00am	Baptismal Class for adults
Sunday	Aug 15	9:00am	Worship Service
		10:15am	A Time for Fellowship
		11:00am	Worship Service

Announcements

+ **BAOBAB BLAST:** We had a wonderful week of VBS with 30 kids from 3 y/o through the 5th grade attending. We had an equal number (plus 5) adults and youth staffing VBS this week: *Pastor Kathryn, Pastor Tom, Pastor Rod, Cheri Houts, Andrew Chilson, Barbara Bischoff, Jane McKenzie, Sandy Seeger, Ann Marymor, Lauris Halliday, Sharon Guy, Lois Errante, Dawn Brewster, Barbara Allen, Joe O’Neill, Jr., Kim Agnew, Miles Marymor, Brian Houts, Hannah Gable, Shellan Saling, Morgan Gable, Robert Allen, Caitlin Jacobs, Morgan Saling, Hope Garrett, Chloe Jacobs, Kirsta Rodriguez McKee, Kristian Gable, Easton English, Jason Gabianelli, Taylor Saling, Celia Tobin, Nik Gable, Joseph Diaz, Garrett Gabianelli* – THANK YOU ONE AND ALL! Thanks also to everyone, “behind the scenes,” who helped create our savannah, move furniture, supply animals, color quilt squares, give support – you are all a part of this!

+ **VBS Picnic Lunch:** Following the service today, there will be a picnic lunch – everyone is invited to join us! Our thanks to *Jane McKenzie and Barb Bischoff* for organizing the picnic and to everyone who brought food to share.

+ Each year our **VBS selects a mission project to support.** Throughout this past week the children and staff collected offerings for the ***Lutheran Malaria Initiative*** who together with the ***United Nations Foundation*** is working to combat malaria in Africa and around the world. During the week we received \$220 in donations – enough money to supply 22 bed nets to families. *You can help support this vital project also by writing a check payable to MLC and putting it in a special VBS envelope found on the usher’s table in the narthex (or write “LMI” in the memo line of the check).*

In addition, the **Baobab Quilt and Pillow**, whose animal squares were colored by many individuals, and then beautifully assembled by Jane McKenzie will be raffled. The drawing will be held during the picnic following the service, so there is time immediately following the service to buy tickets. One raffle ticket can be purchased for \$2 or 3 tickets for \$5. 100% of these proceeds will also go to fight malaria. This is a perfect quilt/pillow for children – a great gift from grandparents, aunts/uncles, etc.

+ The **Mill Street Dinner** signup sheet is posted on the kiosk for our next scheduled day – Thursday, August 19th.

+ **KidzKlub – Swimming:** Wednesday, August 11th we are going swimming with our 1st through 5th graders. Meet at church at 10:30 a.m. Pastor Kathryn and Carol Zlatunich will drive to McNear’s Beach. We’ll swim, have a picnic lunch, play some games and return to church by 2:30 p.m. Please let the church office know if your kids will be coming. Send a bag lunch with your kids and money for swimming and some snacks.

+ **Senior High Event:** We’ll meet at church at 3:30pm on Wednesday, August 11th and drive to Lutheran Church of the Cross in Berkeley. They have a shelter for the homeless and serve dinner every Wednesday – we will help with that. There is room for a few more senior high kids – please talk with Pastor Kathryn if you are interested in going.

+ This Saturday, August 14th Pastor Kathryn will hold a **class on Baptism for adults.** If you are interested in attending, please let her know. The class will be held at either the Theobald’s or at church depending on the number attending.

+ **Confirmation Potluck with Parents & Confirmands:** August 22nd from 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. Come and learn about the fall program/dates/activities with your child. Please let Pastor Kathryn or Bev know that you are coming and what you will bring for the potluck dinner.

+ The **2nd mile ministry for the month of August is the Lutheran Advocacy Ministry in Nevada.** To support this ministry, please write a check to MLC and note 2nd mile – Nevada in the memo line.

+ Today is **International Forgiveness Day**, and we are invited to celebrate at Dominican University’s Angelico Hall beginning at 7:00 p.m. as we hear the following speakers share their journeys to freedom through forgiveness: Dr. Eileen Borris, Rabbi Michael Lerner, Abelina Magana and Logan & Noah Miller. Suggested donation - \$20.

+ **Remember these People in Prayer:** Anker & Lee Andersen, Emmy Anderson, Joan Barry, Joe O’Neill, Sr., Mary Reynolds, Dorothy Walters, Karol Mercier (Pastor Kathryn’s sister), Shirley & Dick Morrow (Susan’s parents), Don Conrad (Michele Jacobs’ father), Sebastian (Cathie Schinski’s friend), and the Wick family – missionaries in Latin America

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Worship Attendance

Last Sunday

9:00am – 68; 11:00am – 34

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