



**February 12, 2023**  
**Sixth Sunday after Epiphany**  
*8:00 a.m. Worship p. 1*  
*10:30 a.m. Worship w/communion p. 11*

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**Our Mission**

**CELEBRATING**

**GOD**

**CONNECTING**

**PEOPLE**



*In today's reading from Deuteronomy we are called to choose life by loving and obeying God. Much of today's gospel reading echoes portions of the Ten Commandments. Jesus' instructions to the crowd reveal a pattern of behavior that honors both God and the neighbor, resulting in life and health for the whole community. We too are invited to embrace these commandments, not out of fear of retribution, but because God has promised that to do so means life for us.*

# GATHERING 8:00 a.m. / Worship Service

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## Bell

## Announcements

**Prelude:** *Hark! A Thrilling Voice is Sounding*

-arr. Malcolm Arnold

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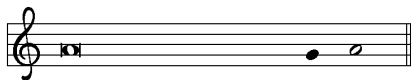
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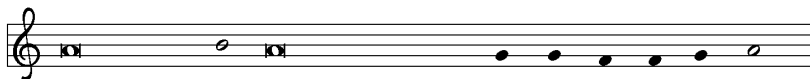
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# Glory to God

Assisting minister



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;



you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.



For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

## Prayer of the Day

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**Praise to you, O Christ.**

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## **Children’s Sermon**

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**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
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suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come 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 of Intercession**

Called together to follow Jesus, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

Inspire your church that it may be a sign of life throughout the world. From the exploration of faith with children and new believers to missionaries and bishops, shape lives of faithfulness, so that all find abundant life in your ways. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

Nourish your creation. Accompany all who plant and water. Bless the work of farmers; provide for subsistence farmers facing drought and climate change. Guide the work of agricultural scientists toward sustainable ways to feed the world. Merciful God,  
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Give growth where there seems to be no hope for life. In nations and regions where reconciliation seems impossible, empower peacemakers with your Spirit. Where death holds sway through violence, disease, and hunger, equip relief workers to bring hope. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Encourage this congregation. Call us to a common purpose and let us speak our truth in love. Turn our hearts toward you and guide our leaders, so that our choices may be lifegiving for all. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Thanks be to you for the lives of all who have died in Christ. Teach us to follow them in your ways and gather us with them into the promise of eternal life with you. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Nurture all in need, *especially Reed, Clint, Lois, Helen, Susan, Gladys, Rachele, Kim, Tammy, Vanessa, Dean, Lester, Bishop Deforest, Anna, Grace, Nat.* Bring healing to all who experience trauma caused by systems of injustice and destructive relationships. Give courage to those struggling to repent and those seeking reconciliation. Sustain all who work for restoration. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

For those celebrating birthdays this week, *Michael, Kurt, Sandra, Sue, Haley, Andrew, Ashley, Marc, Nora, Emma, Reinhard.* May they continue to grow in faith as they grow in years. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

For those celebrating anniversaries this week, *Fred & Terrie, Elaine & James.* May they be bound together by your love, now and forever. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

We pray for our sisters and brothers in Christ in neighboring congregations. May your light shine brightly for all, sharing in your love and your peace that surpasses all understanding. We pray especially for Holy Trinity, Northampton. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered*

We bring to you our needs and hopes, O God, trusting your wisdom and power revealed in Christ crucified.

**Amen.**

# The Peace – Please share the peace in any manner comfortable to you.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

**Offertory:** *Healer of Our Every Ill*

-arr. Anne Krentz Organ

## Offering

*An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.*

*After the offering is gathered, all who are able are invited to stand.*

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right

spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your

pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -

store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,

and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

## Offering Prayer

Let us pray. Liberating God,

**you break the bonds of injustice and let the oppressed go free. Receive these offerings in thanksgiving for all your works of merciful power, and shape us as people of your justice and freedom. You we magnify and adore, through Jesus our Savior, Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray as our Lord taught us:

**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.**

## SENDING

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

## Blessing

The God who faithfully brings forth justice and breaks the oppressor's rod ✠ bless, strengthen, and uphold you, today and always.

**Amen.**

**Sending Hymn:** *Christ is the King p. 29*

## Dismissal

Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude:** *On Eagle's Wings*

-Michael Joncas

# GATHERING / 10:30 a.m. Service w/communion

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## Announcements

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-by Philip Bliss, arr. Sandra Eithun

-Friendship Ringers

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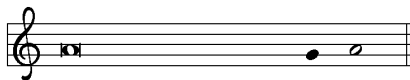
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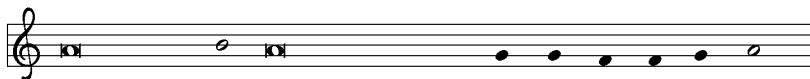
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# This is the Feast

*Refrain*  
Assisting minister



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All



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



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

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2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



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

*Final refrain*



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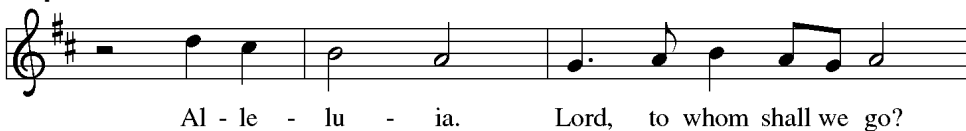
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and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**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 of Intercession**

Called together to follow Jesus, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

Inspire your church that it may be a sign of life throughout the world. From the exploration of faith with children and new believers to missionaries and bishops, shape lives of faithfulness, so that all find abundant life in your ways. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

Nourish your creation. Accompany all who plant and water. Bless the work of farmers; provide for subsistence farmers facing drought and climate change. Guide the work of agricultural scientists toward sustainable ways to feed the world. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

Give growth where there seems to be no hope for life. In nations and regions where reconciliation seems impossible, empower peacemakers with your Spirit. Where death holds sway through violence, disease, and hunger, equip relief workers to bring hope. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Encourage this congregation. Call us to a common purpose and let us speak our truth in love. Turn our hearts toward you and guide our leaders, so that our choices may be lifegiving for all. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Thanks be to you for the lives of all who have died in Christ. Teach us to follow them in your ways and gather us with them into the promise of eternal life with you. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Nurture all in need, *especially Reed, Clint, Lois, Helen, Susan, Gladys, Rachele, Kim, Tammy, Vanessa, Dean, Lester, Bishop Deforest, Anna, Grace, Nat.* Bring healing to all who experience trauma caused by systems of injustice and destructive relationships. Give courage to those struggling to repent and those seeking reconciliation. Sustain all who work for restoration. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

For those celebrating birthdays this week, *Michael, Kurt, Sandra, Sue, Haley, Andrew, Ashley, Marc, Nora, Emma, Reinhard.* May they continue to grow in faith as they grow in years. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

For those celebrating anniversaries this week, *Fred & Terrie, Elaine & James.* May they be bound together by your love, now and forever. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

We pray for our sisters and brothers in Christ in neighboring congregations. May your light shine brightly for all, sharing in your love and your peace that surpasses all understanding. We pray especially for Holy Trinity, Northampton. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered*

We bring to you our needs and hopes, O God, trusting your wisdom and power revealed in Christ crucified.

**Amen.**

**The Peace** – *Please share the peace in any manner comfortable to you.*

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

## THE MEAL

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

*All may be seated*

**Offertory** : *Jesus, We Look to Thee*

*-by Dan Forest*

*-Jordan Chorale*

## Offering

*An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.*

*After the offering is gathered, all who are able are invited to stand.*

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right  
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your  
pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -

store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,  
and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

## Offering Prayer

Let us pray. Liberating God,

**you break the bonds of injustice and let the oppressed go free. Receive these offerings in thanksgiving for all your works of merciful power, and shape us as people of your justice and freedom. You we magnify and adore, through Jesus our Savior, Amen.**

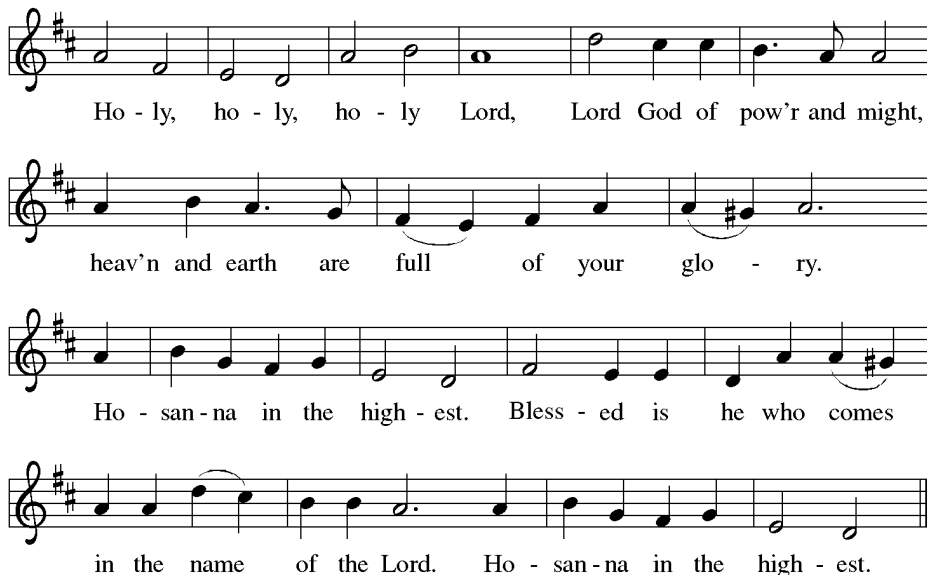
## Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.  
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

## Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations; in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son; and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory. 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:

## Holy Holy



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

## Thanksgiving at the Table

Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life: Blessed are you for the birth of creation. Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light. Blessed are you for your promise to your people. Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams. Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will. Blessed are you for your Son Jesus, the Word made flesh.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of grace and truth. We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection. We look with hope for his coming.

**Come, Lord Jesus.**

Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal. May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your light. Bring the gift of peace on earth.

**Come, Holy Spirit.**

All praise and glory are yours, Holy One of Israel, Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

Let us pray as our Lord taught us:

**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.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

**Come and taste the joy of God!**

*All may be seated*

## Communion

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say “The body of Christ, given for you.” “The blood of Christ, shed for you.” And each person may respond, “Amen.”

## 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.

## The Distribution (Altar Rail Distribution)

Communion Hymns: *One Bread, One Body* p. 27

*In All Our Grief* p. 28

After all have returned to their places

*All who are able are invited to stand*

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood strengthen, keep and unite us, now and forever.

**Amen.**



## Song after Communion

Thank-ful hearts and voic-es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done. Let  
ev-'ry-one who seeks the Lord re-joice and bear the name of Christ.  
Send us with your prom-is-es and lead your peo-ple forth in joy with  
shouts of thanks - giv-ing. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

## Prayer after Communion

Holy One, we thank you for the healing that springs forth abundantly from this table. Renew our strength to do justice, love kindness, and journey humbly with you.

**Amen.**

## SENDING

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

## Blessing

The God who faithfully brings forth justice and breaks the oppressor's rod ✠ bless, strengthen, and uphold you, today and always.

**Amen.**

**Sending Hymn:** *Christ is the King p. 29*

## Dismissal

Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude:** *On Eagle's Wings*

-by Michael Joncas

## Come Down, O Love Divine

1 Come down, O Love di - vine; seek thou this soul of mine  
 2 Oh, let it free - ly burn, till world - ly pas - sions turn  
 3 Let ho - ly char - i - ty mine out - ward ves - ture be,  
 4 And so the year - ning strong, with which the soul will long,

and vis - it it with thine own ar - dor glow - ing;  
 to dust and ash - es in its heat con - sum - ing;  
 and low - li - ness be - come mine in - ner cloth - ing -  
 shall far out - pass the pow'r of hu - man tell - ing;

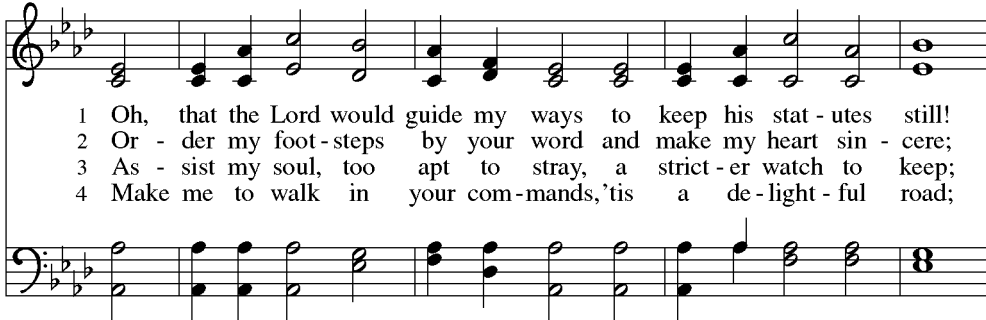
O Com - fort - er, draw near; with - in my heart ap - pear  
 and let thy glo - rious light shine ev - er on my sight,  
 true low - li - ness of heart, which takes the hum - bler part,  
 no soul can guess Love's grace till it be - come the place

and kin - dle it, thy ho - ly flame be - stow - ing.  
 and clothe me round, the while my path il - lum - ing.  
 and o'er its own short - com - ings weeps with loath - ing.  
 where - in the Ho - ly Spir - it makes a dwell - ing.


Text: Bianco da Siena, d. 1434; tr. Richard F. Littledale, 1833-1890  
 Music: DOWN AMPNEY, Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872-1958  
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## Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways



1 Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways to keep his stat - utes still!  
2 Or - der my foot - steps by your word and make my heart sin - cere;  
3 As - sist my soul, too apt to stray, a strict - er watch to keep;  
4 Make me to walk in your com - mands, 'tis a de - light - ful road;



Oh, that my God would grant me grace to know and do his will!  
let sin have no do - min - ion, Lord, but keep my con - science clear.  
and should I e'er for - get your way, re - store your wan - d'ring sheep.  
nor let my head or heart or hands of - fend a - gainst my God.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt.  
Music: EVAN, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

# One Bread, One Body

*Refrain*



One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of all; one cup of



bles-sing which we bless, and we, though man-y



through-out the earth, we are one bod - y in this one Lord.



- |   |            |     |        |              |     |        |
|---|------------|-----|--------|--------------|-----|--------|
| 1 | Gen - tile | or  | Jew,   | ser - vant   | or  | free,  |
| 2 | Man - y    | the | gifts, | man - y      | the | works, |
| 3 | Grain      | for | the    | scat - tered | and | grown, |



wom - an or man, no more.  
one in the Lord of all.  
gath - ered to one for all.

*Refrain*

Text: John Foley, sj, b. 1939

Music: ONE BREAD, ONE BODY, John Foley, sj

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# In All Our Grief



1 In all our grief and fear we turn to you.  
2 Help us to put a - side the an - gry word,  
3 You did not e - ven spare your on - ly Son.  
4 God, when we suf - fer all that we can bear,



O God, you know all that we think or do,  
the clen - ch - ing fist, the wish and will to hurt.  
He lived our griefs and bore all e - vil done,  
then let us know that you in truth are near



you know the pain we put each oth - er through.  
Teach us the way in which love best is served.  
but through his cross, re - demp - tion has been won.  
and will not leave us lost in all our fear.

## *Refrain*



Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy, Lord, grant us peace.

Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1955–1993

Music: FREDERICKTOWN, Charles R. Anders, b. 1929

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# Christ Is the King!



1 Christ is the king! O friends, re - joice; broth - ers and sis - ters,  
 2 Oh, mag - ni - fy the Lord, and raise an - thems of joy and  
 3 O Chris - tian wom - en, Chris - tian men, all the world o - ver,  
 4 Let Love's all - rec - on - cil - ing might your scat - tered com - pa -  
 5 So shall the church at last be one; so shall God's will on



with one voice let the world know he is your choice.  
 ho - ly praise for Christ's brave saints of an - cient days.  
 seek a - gain the Way dis - ci - ples fol - lowed then.  
 nies u - nite in ser - vice to the God of light.  
 earth be done, new lamps be lit, new tasks be - gun.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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TREASURER'S REPORT FOR JANUARY 2023				
	Month	YTD	Budget Amounts	
			Month	YTD
<b>Income:</b>				
Operating Income	\$ 37,483.00	\$ 37,483.00	\$ 29,351.00	\$ 29,351.00
Benevolence	\$ 523.00	\$ 523.00	\$ 1,333.00	\$ 1,333.00
Property	\$ 1,445.00	\$ 1,445.00	\$ 2,083.00	\$ 2,083.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 39,451.00</b>	<b>\$ 39,451.00</b>	<b>\$ 32,767.00</b>	<b>\$ 32,767.00</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>				
Administration	\$ 3,187.00	\$ 3,187.00	\$ 1,554.00	\$ 1,554.00
Benevolence	\$ 2,188.00	\$ 2,188.00	\$ 1,813.00	\$ 1,813.00
Payroll	\$ 22,905.00	\$ 22,905.00	\$ 22,738.00	\$ 22,738.00
Ministries	\$ 1,657.00	\$ 1,657.00	\$ 973.00	\$ 973.00
Property-Utilities, grounds, etc	\$ 4,109.00	\$ 4,109.00	\$ 9,125.00	\$ 9,125.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 34,046.00</b>	<b>\$ 34,046.00</b>	<b>\$ 36,203.00</b>	<b>\$ 36,203.00</b>
<b>Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>\$ 5,405.00</b>	<b>\$ 5,405.00</b>	<b>\$ (3,436.00)</b>	<b>\$ (3,436.00)</b>

**THIS WEEK (Feb12 – 18)**

**TODAY (12)**

- 8:50am, Cherub Choir
- 9:30am, Chorale
- 9:15am Sunday School
- 11:30am, SOUPER BOWL LUNCHEON, Family Ctr.
- 6:30pm, AA Meeting, Social Hall

**MON (13)**

- 6:30pm, Jordaniers Bowlers
- 7:00pm, Boy Scouts
- 7:00pm, Parkland Garden Club, Memory Rm.
- 8:00pm, Allentown Band, Family Ctr.

**TUES (14)**

- 1:00pm, Outreach meeting, Room 8
- 5:30pm, Basketball, Family Ctr.
- 6:30pm, Bible Study, Room 8
- 7:00pm, Groundhog meeting, Memory Rm.
- 7:30pm, Volleyball, Family Ctr.

**WED (15)**

- 9:00am, Prayer Shawl
- 5:00pm, Soccer, Family Ctr.
- 5:30pm, Jr. Gyros
- 6:15pm, Friendship Ringers
- 6:30pm, Canon Choir
- 7:00pm, Badminton, Family Ctr.

**THU (16)**

- 8:00am-5:00pm, Rising Roots Homeschool, Fam. Ctr.
- 7:00pm, PA Dutch Class, Social Hall
- 7:00pm, Volleyball, Family Ctr.

**FRI (17)**

- 7:00pm, Volleyball, Family Ctr.
- 7:30pm, AA meeting, Social Hall
- 9:30pm, Volleyball, Family Ctr.

**SAT (18)**

- 10am-12noon, DAR meeting, Memory Rm.

*Say a Prayer & Send a Card & Pay a Visit*

**Fellowship Community:** Florence Roth, Lillian Semmel, Donald Laudenslager

**Lehigh Commons:** Janet Stettler

**Sacred Heart:** Dale Gogel     **Lehigh Ctr:** Barbara Diehl

**Parkland Manor:** Paulette Bassler, Shirley Wertman

**Heather Glen:** Herb Bieber, Sonny Laudenslager

**Pro-Medica:** Anna Bieber

**Home:** Margaret Smith, Olive Wood

**Please keep these people in your prayers:** Reed Klotz, Clint Trumbauer, Lois Heisler, Helen Shollenberger, Susan Mancino, Gladys Harkins, Rachele Shollenberger, Kim Demarest, Tammy Harding, Vanessa Mace, Dean Shollenberger, Lester Knipe, Bishop Christopher Deforest, Anna Bieber, Grace Keller, Nat Hager

**Birthdays this week:** Michael Martin, Kurt Oertner, Sandra Hoffman, Sue Weber, Haley DuBois, Andrew Gross, Ashley Helsley, Marc Posegay, Nora Heckman, Emma Kozy, Reinhard Knerr

**Anniversaries this week:** Fred & Terrie Weidman (19), Elaine & James Kurtz (50)

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If you've submitted a name for the prayers, please let us know when that person is well enough to be removed.

**No  
sponsors  
today**

**Attendance  
Sunday, 2/5/23  
9:15am - 63**

***Family Promise***

Please take a minute and sign up to help the weeks of Mar 19, Mar 26, Aug 6, Aug 13, Oct 1, & Oct 8 - on the Jordan website -> Ministries -> Outreach.

***Found in the Literature Racks This Week***

<i>Last week's bulletins</i>	<i>This month's newsletter</i>
<i>2022 Annual Reports</i>	<i>Endowment Request Forms</i>
<i>Seasonal Devotionals</i>	<i>Last Month's Treasurer's Report</i>

## Worship Assistants

DATE	2/12	2/19	2/26	3/5
<b>Altar Guild</b>	8:00-L Daniels 10:30-S Hamil	8:00-L Daniels 10:30-S Hamil	8:00-L Daniels 10:30-S Hamil	8:00- 10:30-
<b>Lector</b>	8:00-R Shafer 10:30-J Boscia	8:00-A Russell 10:30-C Flemish	8:00-C Miller 10:30-J Siegfried	8:00- 10:30-
<b>Acolyte</b>	8:00-M Schafer 10:30-J Kerschner	8:00-G Schuler 10:30-O Wozniak	8:00-C Weidman 10:30-L Epting	8:00- 10:30-
<b>Ushers</b>	8:00-D & C Rabenold 10:30-J & C Boscia	8:00-D & C Rabenold 10:30-J & C Boscia	8:00-D & C Rabenold 10:30-J & C Boscia	8:00- 10:30-
<b>Bell Toller</b>	8:00-J Laudenslager 10:30-B Stettler	8:00-D Stark 10:30-S Hamil	8:00-G Schuler 10:30-G Schuler	8:00- 10:30-
<b>SAT</b>	8:00- 10:30-	8:00- 10:30-	8:00- 10:30	8:00- 10:30-
<b>Video</b>	10:30-K Gross	10:30-	10:30-	10:30-

Please look at the dates we have no one scheduled and give a call to the name listed below for the area(s) you can help with!  
**Altar Guild**/Lynn Daniels [lj2137@aol.com](mailto:lj2137@aol.com) // **Lectors**/Julie Boscia [Julie.boscia@gmail.com](mailto:Julie.boscia@gmail.com) // **Acolytes**/Stephany Heckman [sgarbeglio@yahoo.com](mailto:sgarbeglio@yahoo.com) // **Ushers** /John Weremedic [miner70@ptd.net](mailto:miner70@ptd.net) // **Bell Toller**/Sandie Hamil [hamilsre@gmail.com](mailto:hamilsre@gmail.com) // **SAT**/Karen Boardman/[kjb59@ptd.net](mailto:kjb59@ptd.net) // **Video**/Julie Williams [jwill02@gmail.com](mailto:jwill02@gmail.com)

Jan 2020 Treasurer's Report found on p.29.

### Lenten Soup Suppers

Jordan Lenten Soup Suppers are back! Please join us for soup, salad, bread, and dessert beginning on Ash Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 6:00pm in the Memory Room prior to the 7:00pm church service. If you would like to contribute food to any of the suppers, please use the sign-up sheet located on the circular bulletin board in the Memory Room. See Darlene Wenhold, Carol Kuhns, Judy Grim, or Ingrid Martz if you have any questions.

### Check out our new Web Cemeteries feature on the website!

Click on the MORE tab → then Jordan Lutheran Cemetery Assoc. to see the search feature plus a map of the cemetery. We hope this will be useful to genealogists across the country!



**Josie Elizabeth Daniels** was born Feb. 3, 2023 to Adam & Caitlin Daniels. She is the granddaughter of Lynn & Tom Daniels. Josie weighed 6 lbs. 3 oz. Congratulations to the parents, grandparents, and big sister, Quinn!

### SPONSORSHIPS

**2023 Altar Flowers:** Feb. 19, 26; Mar. 19, 26; April 2, 16, 30; May 7, 21, 28  
 Altar flowers may be sponsored for \$40/2 vase, or \*\$20/1 vase\*; Bulletins for \$20.

**HOW TO RESERVE YOUR SPONSORSHIPS:** Contact Donna Hahn at 610-295-9148 or [dhahn16@gmail.com](mailto:dhahn16@gmail.com) with your choice of date(s) and sponsorships(s). **Please indicate when reserving your date whether you wish to pick up the flowers after the last service or want them taken to shut-ins.** If no preference is given, flowers will be taken to shut-ins. Checks may be made payable to JELC and either mailed or dropped in the offering plate.

**SPONSORSHIP POLICY:** Flowers and other sponsorships may be reserved no earlier than one year from the chosen date. If you wish to reserve the same weekend for the following year, you may do so the day after the current year's sponsorship. No dates will be held; the first request for a date (within the one year limit) will be taken regardless of the previous year's sponsor.





SATURDAY, APRIL 22<sup>ND</sup>

4:00 - 7:00 P.M.



JORDAN LUTHERAN FAMILY CTR.

5103 SNOWDRIFT ROAD, OREFIELD

ADULTS: \$10 // KIDS: \$5 (UNDER 12) // EAT IN OR TAKE OUT  
INCLUDES SPAGHETTI & MEATBALLS, BREAD, SALAD, DRINKS,  
& DESSERTS BY THE BUTTERED CRUMB



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# Save These Dates!

## ***The “Souper Bowl” TODAY!!***

Please plan to attend a Soup and Sandwich lunch in the Family Center after the 10:30 a.m. service. Freewill donations will be accepted and go to support Jordan Lutheran Food Pantry needs. You are welcome to attend the luncheon even if you haven't signed up previously. Let's TACKLE hunger in our community!

## ***Family Movie Night***

for all ages on Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. Use the link below to sign up!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4BABAD2AABF85-movie2>

## ***Easter Breakfast***

Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, from 7:00 to 9:30 a.m. in the Family Center. Stop by before or after worship for a breakfast of scrambled eggs, homefries and sausage. A freewill donation will be accepted.

## ***All-You-Can-Eat Spaghetti Dinner***

Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, from 4:00-7:00 p.m. in the Family Center. Dinner includes your pasta, meatballs, garlic bread, salad and a dessert for just \$10! Eat in or takeout will be available. The Outreach Committee is sponsoring this dinner and all profits will go to support The Sanctuary at Haafsville (a non-profit haven for homeless dogs and cats).

## ***4-F Outdoor Worship & Picnic***

This year's 4 – F Celebration will be held on Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>! Lots more information to come, but you don't want to miss this day of Faith, Fun, Food, and Fellowship!



**Members and friends at Jordan are invited to attend the Installation Service of Pastor Jamie Edelman on Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>, at 3pm, at United Fellowship Lutheran Church, 2115 Washington Blvd., Easton.**

***Breakfast with Thrivent Invitation -- Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup>*** Save the date! You are invited to enjoy breakfast in the Memory Room. On February 26<sup>th</sup>, between services, Curt Renner, our Thrivent representative, will briefly review specific and often obscure services offered to Thrivent Members ie. long term planning and financial planning strategies. As well, an Outreach Committee member will be sharing the generous Thrivent Action Grants that select Jordan organizations have utilized over many years to financially support our valuable programs, activities and benevolent events. We encourage Thrivent non-members to attend this casual, beneficial gathering, too. See you then!



## 2023 Lenten Bible Study: Finding Jesus in the Psalms

Our Lenten Season will begin with Ash Wednesday on February 22<sup>nd</sup>. This year's **Mid-week Lenten Bible Study** begins March 1<sup>st</sup> thru April 5<sup>th</sup>, immediately following worship (7:45 p.m. – 9:00 p.m). This study explores selected Psalms as we see reflections of the life of King David and the original context of the writings, along with connections between the psalms and the life and death of Jesus the Messiah.

The author of the study, Barb Roose, states, "The Psalms provide a perfect framework for experiencing Lent through the verses that were Jesus's own scriptures, offering both him and us strength and wisdom in a painful and redemptive season. The Book of Psalms hums with the heartbeat of our humanity with divinely inspired words that find purchase in the tenderest places in our hearts when our human words or wisdom fails us."

Please plan to attend this interesting and thought-provoking Lenten Bible Study. In order to be ready for your participation, please fill out the form below or register by calling the church office. We will be ordering books soon and need your reply no later than February 15<sup>th</sup>.

*Pastor Dody*

### 2023 Lenten Bible Study: Finding Jesus in the Psalms

*Please register as soon as possible [no later than Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>]*

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I plan to attend the Mid-Week Lenten Bible Study on March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 & April 5, following the 7:00 p.m. Midweek Lenten Service.

#### **Mental Health First Aid Training** IDENTIFY // UNDERSTAND // RESPOND

is a skills-based training course that teaches participants about mental health and substance-use issues. Sponsored by New Life Evangelical Lutheran Church, 6804 Weiss Road, New Tripoli, on March 11, 2023, from 9:00 am to 3:00 p.m. Recommended donation is \$24. RSVP by email to: [pastorlauren@nlelc.com](mailto:pastorlauren@nlelc.com) by March 4<sup>th</sup> (to allow time for some work before the training).

## Masks are a PERSONAL PREFERENCE at Jordan

**The Lord's Table** at Jordan Church is an open table. If you are a baptized Christian of any church, believe in the Lord's presence in the sacrament and have received the sacrament before, you are welcome to receive with us. If you are not able to receive, please come forward for a pastoral blessing. To come forward, simply follow the direction of the ushers. **Distribution method** is noted in the order for worship.

**ALTAR RAIL DISTRIBUTION:** As you come forward, please take an empty cup with you to the altar rail. If you choose not to consume wine, grape juice is available. Come to the altar rail without a glass and a communion assistant will offer you the grape juice in a pre-filled glass.

**INTINCTION DISTRIBUTION:** Come forward and receive a wafer. Then dip it into either the wine (the cup in the center of the bread plate) or the grape juice (in the separate cup held by the second assistant). If you want additional time at the altar, please step to center of the altar rail out of the flow of other worshippers. You are invited to kneel if you wish.

**Gluten-free wafers** are available – please indicate your need to the communion assistant.

You are asked to fill out **communion cards** clearly and completely, one card per person. Visitors are asked to fill out the address of their home church (if you identify with one) so we may forward the card there. Take a moment also before leaving to sign our guest book, located in the entrance area.

If it is necessary to **leave the sanctuary** during worship, please refrain, if possible, from doing so during the reading of scripture or the Eucharistic prayers so as not to distract other worshippers.

The use of **electronic devices** during worship is discouraged. Please turn off cell phones or place on vibrate before the start of the service.

**Hearing assistance** is available for members and visitors to Jordan. Please see an usher to arrange to use a receiver. A Koala Bear **baby changing station** is located in the handicapped restroom across from the church offices (in the new section). Children's welcome bags and bulletins are located in the narthex. Please ask ushers for help.

**Restrooms** are located through the left side doors of the chancel; then left through the french doors; restrooms located in the foyer on the right.

**Children in grade 9 and younger** are asked to remain in the Memory Room when consuming refreshments during the fellowship hours.

**Please be sensitive** to the fact that many people are allergic to or bothered by **strong scents** (perfume, aftershave, etc.), particularly when many people are gathered closely together, as for **worship services**.

**For Parents of young children:** We are grateful that God has blessed Jordan with so many young children. Worshiping with young children is a special privilege and joy for all of us. We enjoy the sounds of children in our worship. However, if you sense the need for a "calming break" feel free to take him/her to the Memory Room or Nursery (located through the doors on the left side of the altar) where you can continue to hear and be involved in the worship.

If you are interested in **becoming a member of Jordan**, please speak with the pastor following the service or call the church office (610-395-5912).

**Announcements** for the Sunday bulletin are due in the church office before 10:00 a.m. on Thursday. Deadline for the monthly newsletter is the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month.