



July 3, 2022
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
9:15 a.m. Worship Service w/communion

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Our Mission

CELEBRATING

GOD

CONNECTING

PEOPLE



The harvest
is plentiful
but the workers
are few.

God is the source of our nourishment. Jesus' invitation to "take and eat . . . take and drink" is a repeated one. In holy communion, in the word read and proclaimed, in the assembly of the people of God, the dominion of God has come near. Rejoice! Your name is written in heaven.

GATHERING

Bell

Announcements

Prelude: *O Beautiful for Spacious Skies*

-arr. Emma Lou Diemer

All who are able are invited to stand

Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose steadfast love endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,

we confess that we have not followed your path but have chosen our own way. Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the best seats at the table. When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side. Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.

Hear the good news! God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are free to love as God loves.

Amen.

Gathering Song: *Now Thank We All Our God p. 17*

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 Congregation: refrain Leader: verses

Refrain

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

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

1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
2 That we may live out your im-passioned re-sponse to the
3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
4 For your Spir-it to guide; that you cen-ter our lives in the

u-ni-ty of all; for
hun-gry and the poor; that
friends and fam-i-ly; for
wa-ter and the word; that you

this ho-ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
we may live out truth and jus-tice and grace,
life and for love, for our work and our play,
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod-y and blood,

Refrain

let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

This is the Feast



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



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.



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

O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus, you are the city that shelters us, the mother who comforts us. With your Spirit accompany us on our life's journey, that we may spread your peace in all the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

All may be seated

First Reading: Isaiah 66:10-14

Those who returned from the exile found that the hopes for the glorious restoration of Judah were not completely fulfilled. For these disappointed people, the prophet envisions salvation in the image of a nursing woman. Mother Jerusalem and a mothering God remind the community how they are sustained and supported.

¹⁰Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her,

all you who love her;

rejoice with her in joy,

all you who mourn over her—

¹¹that you may nurse and be satisfied

from her consoling breast;

that you may drink deeply with delight

from her glorious bosom.

¹²For thus says the LORD:

I will extend prosperity to her like a river,
and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream;
and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm,
and dandled on her knees.

¹³As a mother comforts her child,
so I will comfort you;
you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.

¹⁴You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice;
your bodies shall flourish like the grass;
and it shall be known that the hand of the LORD is with his servants,
and his indignation is against his enemies.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 66:1-9 (read responsively – congregation reads bold)

All the earth bows down before you and sings out your name. (Ps. 66:4)

¹Be joyful in God, ¹ all you lands;
be joyful, ¹ all the earth.

²**Sing the glory ¹ of God's name;
sing the glory ¹ of God's praise.**

³Say to God, "How awesome ¹ are your deeds!
Because of your great strength your enemies ¹ cringe before you.

⁴**All the earth bows ¹ down before you,
sings to you, sings ¹ out your name."**

⁵Come now and see the ¹ works of God,
how awesome are God's deeds ¹ toward all people.

⁶**God turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the wa- ¹ ter on foot,
and there we re- ¹ joiced in God.**

⁷Ruling forever in might, God keeps watch o- ¹ ver the nations;
let no rebels ex- ¹ alt themselves.

⁸**Bless our ¹ God, you peoples;
let the sound of ¹ praise be heard.**

⁹Our God has kept us a- ¹ mong the living
and has not allowed our ¹ feet to slip.

Second Reading: Galatians 6:1-16

In the close of his letter to the Galatians, Paul encourages them to live as people made right with God through faith in Jesus Christ. Here Paul offers practical advice about how believers exercise common concern for one other in “the family of faith.”

¹My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. ²Bear one another’s burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. ³For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. ⁴All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor’s work, will become a cause for pride. ⁵For all must carry their own loads.

⁶Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher.

⁷Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. ⁸If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. ⁹So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. ¹⁰So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

¹¹See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! ¹²It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. ¹³Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. ¹⁴May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. ¹⁵For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! ¹⁶As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God. *The word of the Lord.*

Thanks be to God.

All who are able are invited to stand

The Gospel Verse



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.



The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 10th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

Jesus commissions harvesters and laborers to go where he would go and do what he would do. Risking hardship and danger in exchange for the experience of great joy, they offer peace and healing as signs that the reign of God is near.

¹After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. ²He said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. ³Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. ⁴Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. ⁵Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace to this house!’ ⁶And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. ⁷Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. ⁸Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; ⁹cure the sick who are there, and say to them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’ ¹⁰But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, ¹¹‘Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.’”

¹⁶“Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me.”

¹⁷The seventy returned with joy, saying, “Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!” ¹⁸He said to them, “I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. ¹⁹See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. ²⁰Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.” *The Gospel of the Lord.*

Praise to you, O Christ.

All may be seated

Sermon

Time of Silent Reflection *(remain seated)*

All who are able are invited to stand

Hymn of the Day: *Spread, O Spread, Almighty Word p. 18*

Apostles' Creed

In the words of the Apostles' Creed, let us confess our faith:

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
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

United in Christ and guided by the Spirit, we pray for the church, the creation, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Lord of the harvest, you send your church into the world to proclaim Christ's new creation to all. Renew the church as it carries out your mission of peace and healing. We pray for missionaries who accompany your people. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Your creation abounds with flowing waters and diverse creatures. Guide the work of climate scientists as they develop and advocate ways to restore earth's natural balance. Motivate humankind to adopt lifestyles that protect and sustain the earth. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

You guard the nations; let no leaders exalt themselves but lift up the most vulnerable and work for the good of all. Send your Spirit to eradicate classism and inequity, violence and war, poverty and hunger. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

You desire abundant life for all. As we celebrate Independence Day, instill in us gratitude, generosity, and persistence in working toward freedom for all people. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

We remember the saints who proclaimed your reign on earth and now rest in you. Make us faithful in our witness to Christ's new creation. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Mothering God, you care for all people in need. Nourish those who are hungry. Restore employment to those who have lost work. Heal those who are sick, *especially Reed, Clint, Ron, Lois, Clark, Jane, Helen, Susan, Gladys, Lucille, Rachelle, Olive, Jean, Dale, Kim, Tammy, Dale, Ted, Herb, Bert, Vanessa, Michael*, and comfort all who are dying or grieving. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

For those celebrating birthdays this week. May they continue to grow in faith as they grow in years, *especially Dianne, Alexandra, Keith, Janet, Karla, Carol, Brian*. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

For those celebrating anniversaries this week. May they be bound together by your love, now and forever *especially Philip & Tracy, Marlene & Ronald*. God of grace,
hear 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 St. John, Slatington and their pastor, Halle Kluever. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

In your mercy, O God, respond to these prayers, and renew us by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

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: *Communion Improvisation*

-by Eugene Englert

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.

1 Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;
2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;
3 Take my voice and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King;
4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, not a mite would I with - hold;

take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in cease - less praise.
take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.
take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sag - es from thee.
take my in - tel - lect, and use ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure store;
take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.

Offering Prayer

Let us pray. God of abundance:

you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also 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; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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, 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.

Thanksgiving at the Table

Holy God,
you alone are holy,
you alone are God.

The universe declares your praise:
beyond the stars;
beneath the sea;
within each cell;
with every breath.

We praise you, O God.

Generations bless your faithfulness:
through the water;
by night and day;
across the wilderness;
out of exile;
into the future.

We bless you, O God.

We give you thanks for your dear Son:
at the heart of human life;
near to those who suffer;
beside the sinner;
among the poor;
with us now.

We thank you, O God.

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.

Remembering his love for us
on the way,
at the table,
and to the end,
we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

We pray for the gift of your Spirit:
in our gathering;
within this meal;
among your people;
throughout the world.

Blessing, praise, and thanks
to you, holy God,
through Christ Jesus,
by your Spirit,
in your church,
without end.
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

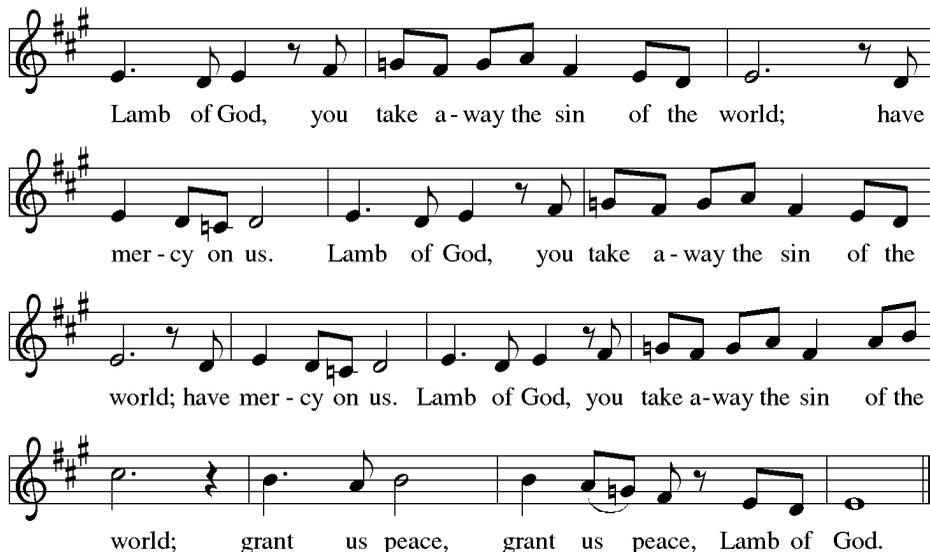
In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy. Come to the banquet.

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, Lamb of God.

The Distribution (Intinction Distribution)

Communion Hymn: *Loving Spirit p. 19*

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

1 O Lord, now let your ser - vant de - part in heav'n-ly peace,
2 Then grant that I may fol - low your gleam, O glo - rious Light,

for I have seen the glo - ry of your re - deem - ing grace:
till earth-ly shad - ows scat - ter, and faith is changed to sight;

a light to lead the na - tions un - to your ho - ly hill,
till rap - tured saints shall gath - er up - on that shin - ing shore,

the glo - ry of your peo - ple, your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
where Christ, the bless - ed day - star, shall light them ev - er - more.

Prayer after Communion

Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus.

Amen.

SENDING

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

Blessing

The God of peace, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always.

Amen.

Sending Song: *O Beautiful for Spacious Skies p. 20*

Dismissal

Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude: *Eternal Father, Strong to Save*

-arr. Wayne L. Wold

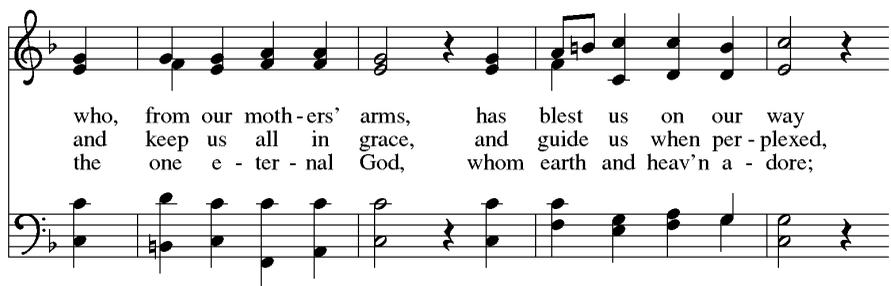
Now Thank We All Our God



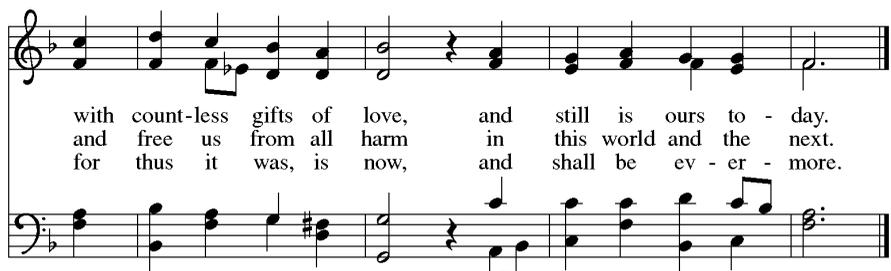
1 Now thank we all our God with hearts and hands and voice - es,
2 Oh, may this boun-teous God through all our life be near us,
3 All praise and thanks to God the Fa-ther now be giv-en,



who won-drous things has done, in whom this world re-joice-es;
with ev-er joy-ful hearts and bless-ed peace to cheer us,
the Son, and Spir-it blest, who reign in high-est heav-en,



who, from our moth-ers' arms, has blest us on our way
and keep us all in grace, and guide us when per-plexed,
the one e-ter-nal God, whom earth and heav'n a-dore;



with count-less gifts of love, and still is ours to-day.
and free us from all harm in this world and the next.
for thus it was, is now, and shall be ev-er-more.

Text: Martin Rinkhart, 1586–1649; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878
Music: NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT, Johann Crüger, 1598–1662

Spread, Oh, Spread, Almighty Word

The musical score consists of two systems, each with a treble and bass staff. The first system contains the first four lines of lyrics. The second system contains the remaining three lines of lyrics. The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with block chords and a steady rhythm.

1 Spread, oh, spread, al - might - y Word, spread the reign of God the Lord.
2 Tell of our Re - deem - er's grace, who, to save our hu - man race
3 Tell of God the Spir - it giv'n now to guide us on to heav'n,
4 Lord of har - vest, great and kind, rouse to ac - tion heart and mind;

Send forth our Cre - a - tor's call, heav-en's gifts ex - tend to all.
and to pay re - bel - lion's price, gave him - self as sac - ri - fice.
strong and ho - ly, just and true, work - ing both to will and do.
let the gath - ring na - tions all see your light and heed your call.

Text: Jonathan F. Bahnmaier, 1774–1841; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*, alt.
Music: GOTT SEI DANK, J. A. Freylinghausen, *Geistreiches Gesangbuch*, 1704
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Loving Spirit



1 Lov - ing Spir - it, lov - ing Spir - it, you have cho - sen me to be—
2 Like a moth - er you en - fold me, hold my life with - in your own,
3 Like a fa - ther you pro - tect me, teach me the dis - cern - ing eye,
4 Friend and lov - er, in your close - ness I am known and held and blessed:
5 Lov - ing Spir - it, lov - ing Spir - it, you have cho - sen me to be—



you have drawn me to your won - der, you have set your sign on me.
feed me with your ver - y bod - y, form me of your flesh and bone.
hoist me up up - on your shoul - der, let me see the world from high.
in your prom - ise is my com - fort, in your pres - ence I may rest.
you have drawn me to your won - der, you have set your sign on me.



Text: Shirley Erena Murray, b. 1931

Music: RESTORATION, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835; arr. hymnal version

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O Beautiful for Spacious Skies

1 O beau - ti - ful for spa - cious skies, for am - ber waves of grain,
2 O beau - ti - ful for he - roes proved in lib - er - at - ing strife,
3 O beau - ti - ful for pa - triot dream that sees be - yond the years

for pur - ple moun - tain maj - es - ties a - bove the fruit - ed plain:
who more than self their coun - try loved, and mer - cy more than life:
thine al - a - bas - ter cit - ies gleam, un - dimmed by hu - man tears:

A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed his grace on thee,
A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! May God thy gold re - fine,
A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God mend thine ev - 'ry flaw,

and crown thy good with broth - er - hood from sea to shin - ing sea.
till all suc - cess be no - ble - ness, and ev - 'ry gain di - vine.
con - firm thy soul in self - con - trol, thy lib - er - ty in law.

Text: Katherine L. Bates, 1859–1929
Music: MATERNA, Samuel A. Ward, 1848–1903

THIS WEEK (July 3 – 9)

TODAY (3)

-6:30pm, AA Meeting, Social Hall

MON (4) Church Office Closed



TUES (5) Pantry 9-10am

-7:30-Volleyball, Family Ctr.

WED (6)

THU (7)

-7:00pm, Overeaters Anon, M1

-6:00pm, Executive Mtg.

FRI (8)

-7:00pm, Volleyball, Family Ctr.

-7:30pm, AA meeting, Social Hall

-9:30pm, Volleyball, Family Ctr.

**The office is CLOSED
Monday, July 4th, for the
Independence Day holiday.**

Say a Prayer & Send a Card & Pay a Visit

Fellowship Mnr: Florence Roth, Lillian Semmel

Lehigh Commons: Janet Stettler

Lehigh Center: Barbara Diehl

The Palmerton: Ferne Rock

Parkland Manor: Paulette Bassler, Shirley Wertman

Heather Glen: Herb & Anna Bieber

Sacred Heart Sr. Living: Dale Gogel

Home: Margaret Smith, Olive Wood, Loretta Hein

Please keep these people in your prayers:

Reed Klotz, Clint Trumbauer, Ron Andersch, Lois Heisler, Clark Snyder, Jane Laudenslager, Helen Shollenberger, Susan Mancino, Gladys Harkins, Lucille Laudenslager, Rachele Shollenberger, Olive Wood, Jean Adam, Dale Gogel, Kim Demarest, Tammy Harding, Dale Hahn, Ted DuBois, Herb Bieber, Bert Bentson, Jr., Vanessa Mace, Michael Ross

Birthdays this week: Dianne Benner, Alexandra Heckman, Keith Turkos, Janet Stettler, Karla Gaugler, Carol J. Kuhns, Brian Tom

Anniversaries this week: Philip & Tracy Heberling (24), Marlene & Ronald Keinert (34)

If you've asked to have someone added to the prayer list, don't forget to let us know when they are well enough to take them off!

Attendance Sunday, 6/26/22

9:15 - 70

Sponsors



Altar Flowers are given in honor of Dad, Roger R. Miller's birthday, July 5th, by Pastor Dody & Jim.

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR MAY 2022

	Month	YTD	Budget Amounts	
			Month	YTD
Income:				
Operating Income	\$ 31,262.00	\$ 173,504.00	\$ 30,530.00	\$ 152,650.00
Benevolence	\$ 861.00	\$ 4,630.00	\$ 1,333.00	\$ 6,667.00
Property	\$ 1,406.00	\$ 7,002.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 12,500.00
Total Income	\$ 33,529.00	\$ 185,136.00	\$ 34,363.00	\$ 171,817.00
Expenses:				
Administration	\$ 2,350.00	\$ 11,002.00	\$ 1,742.00	\$ 8,708.00
Ministries	\$ 2,415.00	\$ 5,320.00	\$ 858.00	\$ 4,292.00
Payroll	\$ 21,963.00	\$ 108,936.00	\$ 22,416.00	\$ 112,080.00
Property-Utilities, grounds, etc	\$ 7,952.00	\$ 56,429.00	\$ 7,625.00	\$ 38,125.00
Benevolence	\$ 1,688.00	\$ 9,438.00	\$ 1,813.00	\$ 9,063.00
Total Expenses	\$ 36,368.00	\$ 191,125.00	\$ 34,454.00	\$ 172,268.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ (2,839.00)	\$ (5,989.00)	\$ (91.00)	\$ (451.00)

If you would like a contributions statement (any time of year) please contact the church office.

Found in the Literature Racks This Week

<i>Last week's bulletin</i>	<i>This month's newsletter</i>
<i>2021 Annual Reports</i>	<i>Endowment Request Forms</i>
<i>GWOH T-shirt order forms/envelopes</i>	<i>Last Month's Treasurer's Report</i>

2022 SPONSORSHIPS

Altar Flowers: July 17, 31; August 14, 21; Sept. 25; October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; November 13, 27

HOW TO RESERVE YOUR SPONSORSHIPS: Contact Donna Hahn at 610-395-0613 or dhahn16@gmail.com with your choice of dates(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.

Altar flowers may be sponsored for \$40/2 vase, or *\$20/1 vase*; Bulletins for \$20.

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.*

Serving Our Parish Today

DATE	7/3	7/10	7/17	7/24
Lector	9:15-C Flemish	9:15-K Boardman	9:15-L Stettler	9:15-A Russell
Altar Guild	9:15-D Wenhold	9:15-D Wenhold	9:15-K Boardman	9:15-K Boardman
Bell Toller	9:15-D Stark	9:15-B Lutterschmidt	9:15-S Hamil	9:15-D Stark
Ushers	9:15-B & L Hendricks	9:15-	9:15-S Schleicher, D Daniel	9:15-S Schleicher D Daniel
Acolyte	9:15-	9:15-	9:15-	
SAT	9:15-	9:15-	9:15-	
Video				

If you would like to assist at worship in any of these capacities, please contact the person listed:

Altar Guild/Lynn Daniels lj2137@aol.com // **Lectors**/Julie Boscia Julie.boscia@gmail.com // **Acolytes**/Stephanie Derstine jordandff@gmail.com // **Ushers** /John Weremedic miner70@ptd.net **Bell**/Sandie Hamil hamilsre@gmail.com // **Outreach**/Kay Mancke mancke@rcn.com // **Video**/Julie Williams jbwill02@gmail.com

God's Work. Our Hands.

Sunday, October 2nd, 2022. See the table in the Memory Room for a sample T-shirt for this event. Order forms are on the table or in the literature racks. Orders must be placed *by August 24th*.

Bear Creek Camp (our Lutheran church camp near Wilkes Barre)

Summer camping opportunities for the young people of our congregation from 3rd through 12th grade! There's still time to register! The Endowment Committee offers ½ scholarships to Jordan members! Contact the camp at 570-472-3741 or Register at: www.bearcreekcamp.org

Adult Bible Study Planning Discussion

Please join me on **Sunday, July 10th in the Memory Room**, following worship, for a very brief discussion of your interest and fall availability, along with topics of interest. Part of our responsibility as a disciple of Jesus is to continue our journey by learning and strengthening our faith as we grow closer in our relationship with God. While we do some of that during Sunday Worship, we cannot do that to any degree of depth. I would like to plan an Adult Study in the fall, beginning in September, however, it would be helpful for me to know what your interests might be. If you are unable to spend a few minutes on July 10th, please drop me a line, give me a call, or see me in person. God's Blessings on your summer! Hope to see you on July 10th!

~ Pastor Dody

Blessing of Backpacks Sunday, August 21st

Students of all ages and teachers are invited to bring their backpacks/book bags/briefcase for a special blessing for the new school year! Each student is encouraged to extend an invitation to bring their friends along as well! Everyone will receive a special tag for their backpack reminding them of God's love and presence in their daily learning/teaching.

Information on Fall Sunday School classes

including a registration form for Sunday School, will be posted on our website in August at <https://www.jordanlutheran.org/sunday-school.html>.

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 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 15th of the month.