



October 16, 2022
Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
8:00 a.m. Worship Service w/Holy Communion p. 1
10:30 a.m. Worship Service p. 15

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Our Mission

CELEBRATING

GOD

CONNECTING

PEOPLE

PRAY
always

Pray always. Do not lose heart. This is Christ's encouragement in the gospel today. Wrestle with the word. Remember your baptism again and again. Come regularly to Christ's table. Persistence in our every encounter with the divine will be blessed.

8:00 a.m. *Worship Service with Communion*

GATHERING

[congregation reads bold]

Bell

Announcements

Prelude: *If You But Suffer God to Guide You*

-George Boehm

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, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days.

Amen.

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of mercy and forgiveness,

we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen.

Beloved of God:

your sins are forgiven ☩ and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Gathering Hymn: *Jesus, Still Lead On p. 25*

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

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,

and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,

let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

The musical score consists of nine staves of music in a single system. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff has a melodic line with a slur over the first two notes. The second staff has a whole rest followed by a melodic line. The third staff has a melodic line with a slur over the first four notes. The fourth staff has a whole rest. The fifth staff has a whole rest followed by a melodic line. The sixth staff has a melodic line with a slur over the first four notes. The seventh staff has a whole rest. The eighth staff has a whole rest followed by a melodic line with a slur over the last four notes. The ninth staff has a whole rest followed by a melodic line with a slur over the last four notes.

This is the Feast



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, 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.



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



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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.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
 al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was
 slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain

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Prayer of the Day

O Lord God, tireless guardian of your people, you are always ready to hear our cries. Teach us to rely day and night on your care. Inspire us to seek your enduring justice for all this suffering world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

WORD

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.
 All may be seated*

First Reading: Genesis 32:22-31

Returning to the home he had fled many years before after stealing his brother's birthright and his father's blessing, Jacob wrestles all night long with a divine adversary who ultimately blesses him and changes his name to "Israel," a name that means "he wrestles with God."

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Psalm: Psalm 121 (read responsively – congregation reads bold)

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nor will the one who watches over you ¹ fall asleep.

⁴**Behold, the keep- ¹ er of Israel
will neither slum- ¹ ber nor sleep;**

⁵the LORD watches ¹ over you;
the LORD is your shade at ¹ your right hand;

⁶**the sun will not strike ¹ you by day,
nor the ¹ moon by night.**

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The Gospel Verse

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night? Will he delay long in helping them? ⁸I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?" *The Gospel of the Lord.*

Praise to you, O Christ.

All may be seated

Canon Choir: *Loving Hands of Jesus*

-P. L. Landis

Children's Sermon

Sermon

Time of Silent Reflection *(remain seated)*

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Hymn of the Day: *Day by Day p. 26*

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

In gratitude and humility, let us join together in prayer on behalf of all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

For all the baptized, that they become skilled in compassion and grace and equipped to share the good news with all. Grant your followers persistence in proclamation and prayer. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For air and sky, clouds and sun, that they provide rain to parched land and relief to flooded ground. Renew and restore our polluted atmosphere and empower us to be worthy stewards of creation. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For judges, juries, and all who work in the judicial system, that they desire wisdom, seek truth, rule with fairness, and have the courage to do what is right. Eliminate oppression and injustice in our criminal justice system. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For those in our congregation and community engaged in advocacy work, that with the persistence of the widow, they lift their voices in seeking justice on behalf of others. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For those who have taught us faith and now rest in your heavenly peace, that we remember and give thanks for these saints who shared the gospel through word and deed. Hear us, O God.

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For all who are lonely, especially those who have newly arrived in an unfamiliar city or country, political prisoners without recourse to justice, hospital patients without visitors, and any who are grief-stricken or ill *especially Reed, Clint, Ron, Lois, Clark, Jane, Helen, Susan, Gladys, Lucille, Rachelle, Kim, Tammy, Vanessa, Michael, Neil, Larry, Carol, Kathy, Bruce, Ray, Dean, Peter, Sue, Dave, Carolyn, Jean.* Hear us, O God.

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For those celebrating birthdays this week. May they continue to grow in faith as they grow in years, *Patricia, Karen, Carol, Scott, Margie, Rita, Morgan, Dean.* Hear us, O God.

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For those celebrating anniversaries this week. May they be bound together by your love, now and forever *especially Carl & Debra, Robert & Elizabeth, Jeffrey & Rose, Patricia & Ronald, Linda & John, Woody & Nancy, Tyler & Amanda, Karl & Beth, Robert & Rita.* Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

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 Hope, Cherryville, and their pastor, Jami Possinger. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

With grateful hearts we commend our spoken and silent prayers to you, O God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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

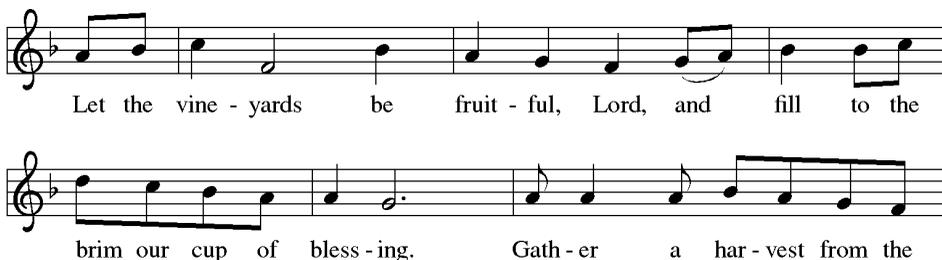
Offertory: *Lord, I Will Lift Mine Eyes*

-Richard Smallwood

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.



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the
brim our cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the

seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.

Gath-er the hopes and the dreams of all; u-nite them with the

prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble with your pres-ence,

and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

Offering Prayer

Let us pray. Gracious God,

in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. 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; 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. 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 in the high - est.

Thanksgiving at the Table

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,
who preached good news to the poor,
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,
we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory, 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

Christ invites you to this table. Come, taste and see.

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.

The Distribution (Altar Rail Distribution)

Communion Hymns: *How Long, O God* p. 27 & *Eternal Spirit of the Living Christ* 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 all who seek the Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.



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

God of the abundant table, you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey. Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

SENDING

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

Blessing

God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace. And may the holy Trinity, † one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love.

Amen.

Sending Hymn: *Rise Up, O Saints of God p. 29*

Dismissal

Go in peace, with Christ beside you. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude: *I Lift Up Mine Eyes*

-Randall DeBruyn

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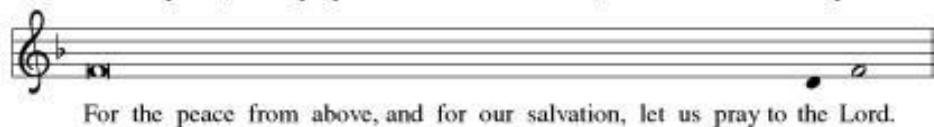
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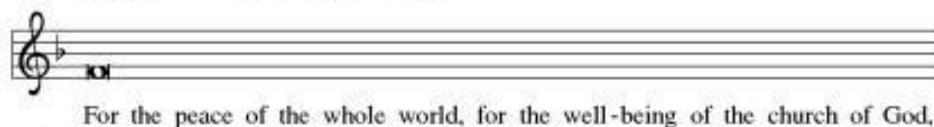
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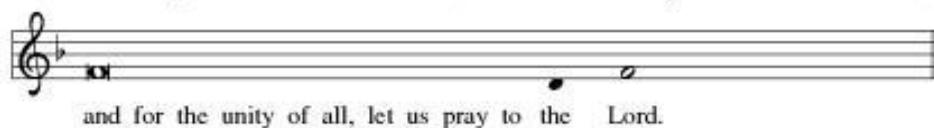
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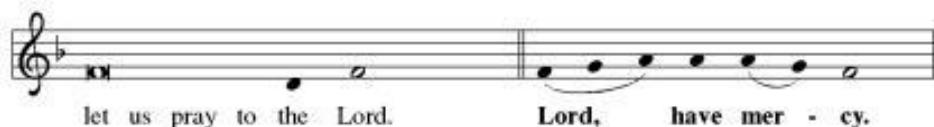
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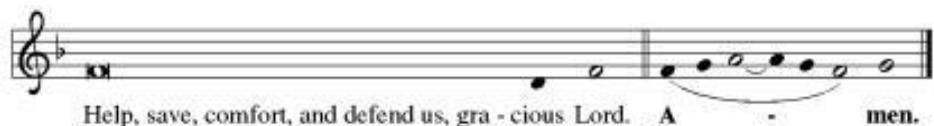
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Glory to God

Assisting minister



Glory to God in the highest, 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,



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Prayer of the Day

Almighty and most merciful God, your bountiful goodness fills all creation. Keep us safe from all that may hurt us, that, whole and well in body and spirit, we may with grateful hearts accomplish all that you would have us do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
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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

In gratitude and humility, let us join together in prayer on behalf of all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

For all the baptized, that they become skilled in compassion and grace and equipped to share the good news with all. Grant your followers persistence in proclamation and prayer. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For air and sky, clouds and sun, that they provide rain to parched land and relief to flooded ground. Renew and restore our polluted atmosphere and empower us to be worthy stewards of creation. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For judges, juries, and all who work in the judicial system, that they desire wisdom, seek truth, rule with fairness, and have the courage to do what is right. Eliminate oppression and injustice in our criminal justice system. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For those in our congregation and community engaged in advocacy work, that with the persistence of the widow, they lift their voices in seeking justice on behalf of others. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For those who have taught us faith and now rest in your heavenly peace, that we remember and give thanks for these saints who shared the gospel through word and deed. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For all who are lonely, especially those who have newly arrived in an unfamiliar city or country, political prisoners without recourse to justice, hospital patients without visitors, and any who are grief-stricken or ill *especially Reed, Clint, Ron, Lois, Clark, Jane, Helen, Susan, Gladys, Lucille, Rachelle, Kim, Tammy, Vanessa, Michael, Neil, Larry, Carol, Kathy, Bruce, Ray, Dean, Peter, Sue, Dave, Carolyn, Jean*. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For those celebrating birthdays this week. May they continue to grow in faith as they grow in years, *Patricia, Karen, Carol, Scott, Margie, Rita, Morgan, Dean*. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For those celebrating anniversaries this week. May they be bound together by your love, now and forever *especially Carl & Debra, Robert & Elizabeth, Jeffrey & Rose, Patricia & Ronald, Linda & John, Woody & Nancy, Tyler & Amanda, Karl & Beth, Robert & Rita*. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

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 Hope, Cherryville, and their pastor, Jami Possinger. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

With grateful hearts we commend our spoken and silent prayers to you, O God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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: *There Is a Longing in Our Hearts*

-Anne Quigley

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

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

God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace. And may the holy Trinity, † one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love.

Amen.

Sending Song: *Rise Up, O Saints of God* p. 29

Dismissal

Go in peace, with Christ beside you.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude: *I Lift Up Mine Eyes*

-Randall DeBruyn



We are looking for two people to coordinate the Sunday refreshment times (one for each service), beginning after Labor Day. We have a checklist of duties if you'd like to see a "job description" before you commit, just call the church office. To sign up to bring refreshments on a particular Sunday, please see the notepad on the lectern in the Memory Room.

2022 SPONSORSHIPS

Altar Flowers: October 23; December 4, 11, 18, 25

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 610-395-0613 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. 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.*

\$2500

\$1800



Walk for Water!

The glass is more than half full!

Help us reach 100%! We are currently at 72% of our goal, with just \$700 needed to reach \$2500!

Jesus, Still Lead On

1 Je - sus, still lead on, till our rest be won; and, al-though the
 2 If the way be drear, if the foe be near, let no faith - less
 3 When we seek re - lief from a long-felt grief, when temp-ta - tions
 4 Je - sus, still lead on, till our rest be won; heav'n-ly lead - er,

way be cheer - less, we will fol - low, calm and fear - less;
 fears o'er - take us, let not faith and hope for - sake us;
 come al - lur - ing make us pa - tient and en - dur - ing;
 still di - rect us, still sup - port, con - sole, pro - tect us,

guide us by your hand to the prom - ised land.
 safe - ly past the foe to our home we go.
 show us that bright shore where we weep no more.
 till we safe - ly stand in the prom - ised land.

Text: Nicolaus L. von Zinzendorf, 1700–1760; tr. Jane L. Borthwick, 1813–1897, alt.
 Music: SEELENBRÄUTIGAM, Adam Drese, 1620–1701

Day by Day

1 Day by day, your mer - cies, Lord, at - tend me, bring - ing com - fort
 2 Day by day, I know you will pro - vide me strength to serve and
 3 Oh, what joy to know that you are near me when my bur - dens

to my anx - ious soul. Day by day, the bless - ings, Lord, you send me
 wis - dom to o - bey; I will seek your lov - ing will to guide me
 grow too great to bear; oh, what joy to know that you will hear me

draw me near - er to my heav'n - ly goal. Love di - vine, be - yond all
 o'er the paths I strug - gle day by day. I will fear no e - vil
 when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer. Day by day, no mat - ter

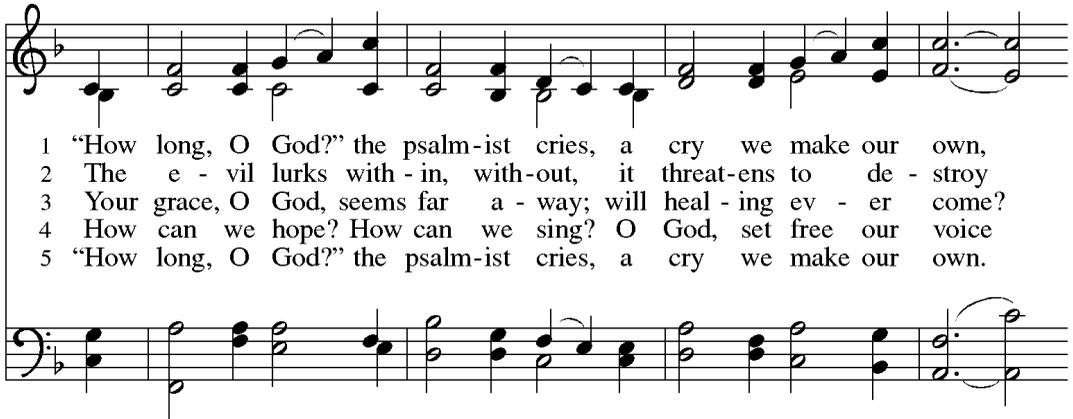
mor - tal mea - sure, brings to naught the bur - dens of my quest; Sav - ior,
 of the mor - row, I will trust in your en - dur - ing grace. Sav - ior,
 what be - tide me, you will hold me ev - er in your hand. Sav - ior,

lead me to the home I trea - sure, where at last I'll find e - ter - nal rest.
 help me bear life's pain and sor - row till in glo - ry I be - hold your face.
 with your pres - ence here to guide me, I will reach at last the prom - ised land.

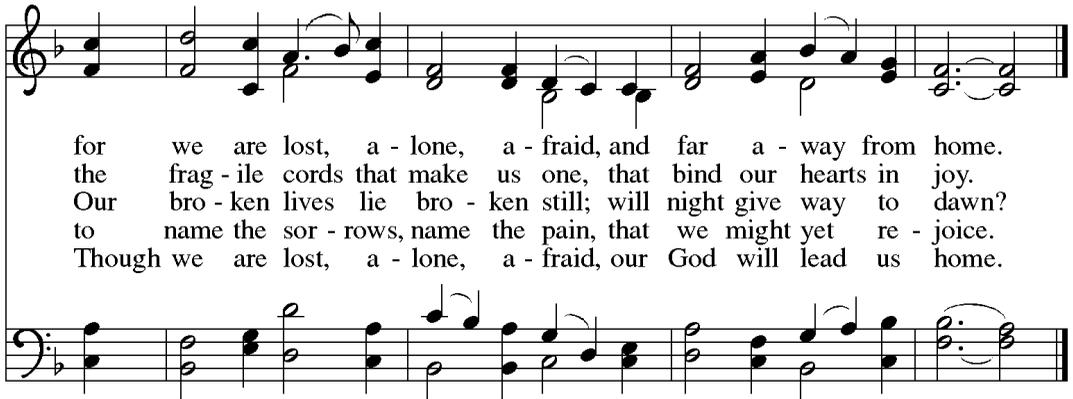
Text: Carolina Sandell Berg, 1832–1903; tr. Robert Leaf, 1936–2005
 Music: BLOTT EN DAG, Oskar Ahnfelt, 1813–1882
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How Long, O God



1 "How long, O God?" the psalm-ist cries, a cry we make our own,
2 The e - vil lurks with - in, with-out, it threat-ens to de - stroy
3 Your grace, O God, seems far a - way; will heal - ing ev - er come?
4 How can we hope? How can we sing? O God, set free our voice
5 "How long, O God?" the psalm-ist cries, a cry we make our own.



for we are lost, a - lone, a - fraid, and far a - way from home.
the frag - ile cords that make us one, that bind our hearts in joy.
Our bro - ken lives lie bro - ken still; will night give way to dawn?
to name the sor - rows, name the pain, that we might yet re - joice.
Though we are lost, a - lone, a - fraid, our God will lead us home.

Text: Ralph F. Smith, 1950–1994
Music: LAND OF REST, North American traditional; arr. hymnal version
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Eternal Spirit of the Living Christ



1 E - ter - nal Spir - it of the liv - ing Christ, I know not how to
2 Come, pray in me the prayer I need this day; help me to see your
3 Come with the vi - sion and the strength I need to serve my God and



ask or what to say; I on - ly know my need, as deep as life,
pur - pose and your will, where I have failed, what I have done a - miss;
all hu - man - i - ty; ful - fill - ment of my life in love out-poured:



and on - ly you can teach me how to pray.
held in for - giv - ing love, let me be still.
my life in you, O Christ, your love in me. A - men.

Text: Frank von Christerson, 1900–1996

Music: ADORO TE DEVOTE, plainsong mode V; *Processionale*, Paris, 1697

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Rise Up, O Saints of God!

1 Rise up, O saints of God! From vain am - bi - tions turn;
 2 Speak out, O saints of God! De - spair en - gulf's earth's frame;
 3 Rise up, O saints of God! The king - dom's task em - brace;
 4 Give heed, O saints of God! Cre - a - tion cries in pain;
 5 Com - mit your hearts to seek the paths which Christ has trod;

Christ rose tri - um - phant that your hearts with no - bler zeal might burn.
 as heirs of God's bap - tis - mal grace, the word of hope pro - claim.
 re - dress sin's cru - el con - se - quence; give jus - tice larg - er place.
 stretch forth your hand of heal - ing now, with love the weak sus - tain.
 and, quick - ened by the Spir - it's pow'r, rise up, O saints of God!

Text: Norman O. Forness, b. 1936
 Music: FESTAL SONG, William H. Walter, 1825-1893
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THIS WEEK (Oct. 16 – 22)

TODAY (16)

-9:15am, Sunday School
-6:30pm, AA Meeting, Social Hall

MON (17) PANTRY 9-10 AM

-6:30pm, Jordaniers Bowlers
-7:00pm, Boy Scouts
-8:00pm, Allentown Band, Family Ctr.

TUES (18)

-5:00pm, Daisy Troop, Social Hall
-7:00pm, Christian Ed. mtg.
-7:00pm, Endowment Inv. mtg.
-7:30pm-Volleyball, Family Ctr.

WED (19)

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

THU (20)

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

FRI (21)

-5:30pm-8:00pm, Trunk or Treat
-7:00pm, Volleyball, Family Ctr.
-7:30pm, AA meeting, Social Hall
-9:30pm, Volleyball, Family Ctr.

Say a Prayer & Send a Card & Pay a Visit

Fellowship Community: Florence Roth, Lillian Semmel, Donald & Jane Laudenslager
Bristol House: Janet Stettler **Sacred Heart:** Dale Gogel
Lehigh Ctr: Barbara Diehl **The Palmerton:** Ferne Rock
Parkland Manor: Paulette Bassler, Shirley Wertman, Sonny & Lucille Laudenslager
Heather Glen: Herb & Anna Bieber
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, Kim Demarest, Tammy Harding, Vanessa Mace, Michael Ross, Neil Snyder, Larry Bear, Carol Jean Lehr, Kathy Leonard, Bruce Leonard, Ray Fairchild, Dean Shollenberger, Peter Klingman, Sue Hartney, Dave Evans, Carolyn Flemish, Jean Gross

Birthdays this week: Patricia Hoffman, Karen Freitag, Carol Nagle, Scott Moyer, Margie Clark, Rita Frey, Morgan McDevitt, Dean Wagman

Anniversaries this week: Carl & Debra Benner (23), Robert & Elizabeth Habermehl (40), Ronald & Patricia Gieger (52), Linda & John Posegay (52), Woody & Nancy Haas (64), Tyler & Amanda Keinert (4), Karl & Beth Kroboth (37), Robert & Rita Frey (62)

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, 10/9/22
8:00-35 10:30-52

Sponsors
No sponsors today

Found in the Literature Racks This Week

<i>Last week's bulletin</i>	<i>This month's newsletter</i>
<i>Basket Social Guidelines</i>	<i>Endowment Request Forms</i>
<i>Water/Reilly Hosp./6th St. Shelter info sheets</i>	<i>Last Month's Treasurer's Report</i>

Worship Assistants

DATE	10/16	10/23	10/30	11/6
Altar Guild	8:00-C Rabenold 10:30-K Leonard	8:00-C Rabenold 10:30-	8:00-C Rabenold 10:30-	8:00- 10:30-
Lector	8:00-A Russell 10:30-K Boardman	8:00-C Rabenold 10:30-I Martz	8:00- 10:30-L Stettler	8:00- 10:30-
Acolyte	8:00-N Heckman 10:30-J Kerschner	8:00- S Deeney 10:30-J Smith	8:00- 10:30-	8:00- 10:30-
Ushers	8:00-R & B Albright 10:30-L & B Hendricks	8:00-R & B Albright 10:30-I Johnson	8:00-R & B Albright 10:30-	8:00- 10:30-C & D Rabenold
Bell Toller	8:00-G Schuler 10:30-J Siegfried	8:00-D Stark 10:30-S Hamil	8:00-B Lutterschmidt 10:30-B Stettler	8:00- 10:30-
SAT	8:00-D Wagaman 10:30-	8:00-D Wagaman 10:30-	8:00-B Lutterschmidt 10:30-	8:00- 10:30-
Video	10:30-	10:30	10:30-	10:30-

Help is needed in all areas of worship on Sunday mornings, now that we are back to two services!

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

Altar Guild/Lynn Daniels lid2137@aol.com // **Lectors**/Julie Boscia Julie.boscia@gmail.com // **Acolytes**/Stephany Heckman sgarbeglio@yahoo.com // **Ushers**/John Weremedic miner70@ptd.net // **Bell Toller**/Sandie Hamil hamilsre@gmail.com // **SAT**/Karen Boardman/kjb59@ptd.net // **Video**/Julie Williams jbill02@gmail.com

Sunday School Heifer Project

The Sunday School department will be raising funds for Heifer International starting Oct. 2nd, at a GWOH kick-off competition. Everyone will donate into 'cans for coins' (bills and checks accepted) to support the Heifer foundation while competing as the following animals, noted by members of Jordan:

- Preschool - K - Chickens - (Chicks) They are little and cuddly
- 1st - 3rd - Pigs (Piglets) - They love to play and stomp in the mud
- 4th - 6th – (Goats) - They like to play and climb up on all sorts of things.
- Confirmation / Youth – (Bees) - They are busy as bees with all their activities and can also be sweet as honey.
- Teachers / Parents / Young Adults - (Sheep) - They have an amazing memory and produce wool to keep others warm.
- 50+ Members – (Cows) - They produce food for us to eat and drink, and love to graze in the meadows.

All funds support Heifer International, so bring those "coins for cans" to support the animals of this fundraiser. The event will end at the Basket Raffle, Sunday, Nov. 6. All funds support Heifer International, to help increase educational awareness for families to learn how to grow crops and raise animals to help end poverty, hunger and despair for families. Please donate "coins" by dropping them in the cans located on the table in the Memory Room. (cash and checks also accepted noted on your envelope 'For Heifer').

Family Promise

We have one more week hosting this year. Here is the link to signupgenius. The links will also be on the Jordan website soon.

Week of Oct 16 - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0D45AEA82FAAF85-family3>

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2022

	Month	YTD	Budget Amounts	
			Month	YTD
Income:				
Operating Income	\$ 47,875.00	\$ 292,154.00	\$ 30,530.00	\$ 274,770.00
Benevolence	\$ 892.00	\$ 7,688.00	\$ 1,333.00	\$ 12,000.00
Property	\$ 1,144.00	\$ 11,824.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 22,500.00
Total Income	\$ 49,911.00	\$ 311,666.00	\$ 34,363.00	\$ 309,270.00
Expenses:				
Administration	\$ 1,062.00	\$ 16,110.00	\$ 1,742.00	\$ 15,675.00
Benevolence	\$ 3,375.00	\$ 14,550.00	\$ 1,813.00	\$ 16,313.00
Payroll	\$ 21,724.00	\$ 193,215.00	\$ 22,416.00	\$ 200,660.00
Ministries	\$ 451.00	\$ 8,129.00	\$ 858.00	\$ 7,725.00
Property-Utilities, grounds, etc	\$ 7,008.00	\$ 89,431.00	\$ 7,625.00	\$ 68,625.00
Total Expenses	\$ 33,620.00	\$ 321,435.00	\$ 34,454.00	\$ 308,998.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ 16,291.00	\$ (9,769.00)	\$ (91.00)	\$ 272.00

Cards Needed

Our SOS group (Shout Out to Shut-ins) is in need of wedding anniversary cards. Postage stamps are always needed and welcome, too!

Thrivent Members!!

We need you! As a member of Thrivent, a value resource is available to you...and to us. As a spokesperson for the Outreach Committee, we frequently take advantage of a generous \$250 grant program that is available to Thrivent members. The grants that Thrivent endorses provides financial support for many of our valuable activities that we promote throughout the year. Utilizing this funding, our committee has been able to significantly reduce the need to withdraw any monies from the Jordan budget. Rest assured, if you allow us to complete the necessary paperwork in order to release funding, *your premiums will not be affected!* A win/win situation!

How can you help? Please notify me if you are a Thrivent member and provide me with your name and contact number so I may further discuss this grant program and its benefits. Even if you have already provided your approval to be involved in this program in 2022, please contact me so your name can be added to our resource list for next year. Simply reach out to Dave Mancke, 484.866.6620 (Text or call) or Email at mancke@rcn.com."

Thank you! Dave Mancke, Outreach Committee Chair

Donations Still Accepted

We will continue to accept your donations thru October 30th for the Reilly Children's Hospital and 6th Street Shelter that were part of our God's Work. Our Hands event earlier this month. A list of needed items for the hospital can be found in the literature racks, and the Shelter is in need of NEW standard sized pillows, twin sheets sets and twin mattress pads. Containers for these donations may be found in the Memory Room.



All Saints Remembrance ~ Sunday, November 6, 2022

If there is someone you would like to include in the prayers (a friend, relative, etc.) who is not a member of Jordan and has died since October 31, 2021 please fill out this slip and place it in the offering plate, or contact the church office (610-395-5912 or jordanlutheran@ptd.net) with their name and date of death.

Your Name _____

Person to be remembered _____

Date of Death (11/1/21 - 10/31/22) _____

Jordan members who have died in this last year will automatically be included.

Allentown Band Christmas Concert

Kick off your holidays with a relaxing evening of magical Christmas music by America's oldest civilian concert band on Monday, December 15th, at 8:00 p.m. The concert will be held **here at Jordan** in the Family Center and is free and open to the public.

Outdoor Work Day

Saturday, October 29th, meet at 8:00 a.m. Let's get the church grounds tidied up before winter!

Scouting for Food

Help is needed on Saturday, October 12th, to accept deliveries of and sort through food donations from local Boy Scout Troops. Lunch provided!

I Heard the Bells (movie)

The inspiring true story behind the beloved Christmas carol and its author, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow. With a nation divided by civil war and his family torn apart, Henry puts down his pen, silenced by grief. But it's the sound of Christmas morning that reignites the poet's lost voice as he discovers the resounding hope of rekindled faith. Showing locally only on December 1, 3 & 4, at the AMC theaters in Allentown and Center Valley. To purchase tickets or for more information about the movie, go to www.iheardthebellsmovie.com.



COMING EVENTS!!

Youth Events

Friday, November 11 – **Movie Night** - Sight and Sound's "Noah" will be featured at 6:30 p.m.

Family Events

Friday, October 21st – **Trunk or Treat**



Jordan families are invited to participate in Trunk or Treat night for our community guests. Park your vehicle on the Family Center parking lot at 5:00 p.m. and decorate your trunk with themed ideas, and hand out candy. Awards will be awarded for best comical, creative, and spooky vehicles.

Community families will be invited from 6:30 – 8 pm. Each vehicle is responsible to hand out their own individually wrapped candy. There will be a sign-up sheet for family vehicles, your theme, and a Candy Box (to collect additional candy) in the Memory Room starting next week. Keep in mind, 100 kids came last time, please be prepared with treats! Sign up sheets for parking attendants and security will also be available.

Sunday, November 6th – **Basket Social**

Basket Social, family fun activity, Sunday, November 6th in the Family Center. Browsing begins at noon, drawing at 4:00 p.m. Food and drinks will be available. Sign-up sheets will be posted in the Memory room for basket offerings, basket makers, pre-made baskets, gift cards, set-up, tear-down, and baked goods. Everyone is invited to participate in organizing, selling and buying baskets!



Sunday, December 4th – **Gingerbread church-making**

Learn to make a Gingerbread church, Sunday, December 4th, after church, in the Family Center. Space will be limited. A sign-up sheet and specific details will be forthcoming.

Saturday, December 17th – **Family Christmas Caroling**

All ages invited to gather at church to stroll through close by community streets, sharing our beloved Christmas carols and a few fun children's Christmas songs, 2 – 4 pm. Refreshments to follow in the Memory Room.



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 15th of the month.