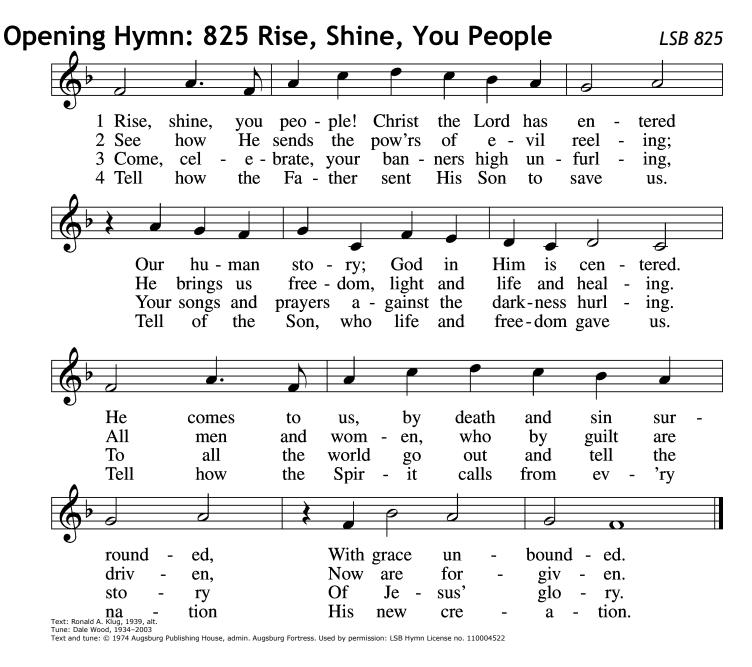
June 19, 2022, 8:00 AM Second Sunday after Pentecost



The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

Matthew 28:19b; 18:20

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.

Exhortation

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Hebrews 10:22; Psalm 124:8; Psalm 32:5 LSB 184

- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Confession of Sins

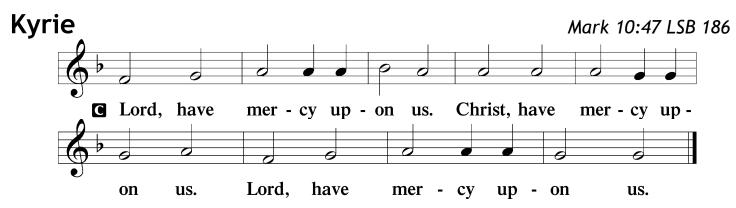
- **P** O almighty God, merciful Father,
- **C** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Absolution

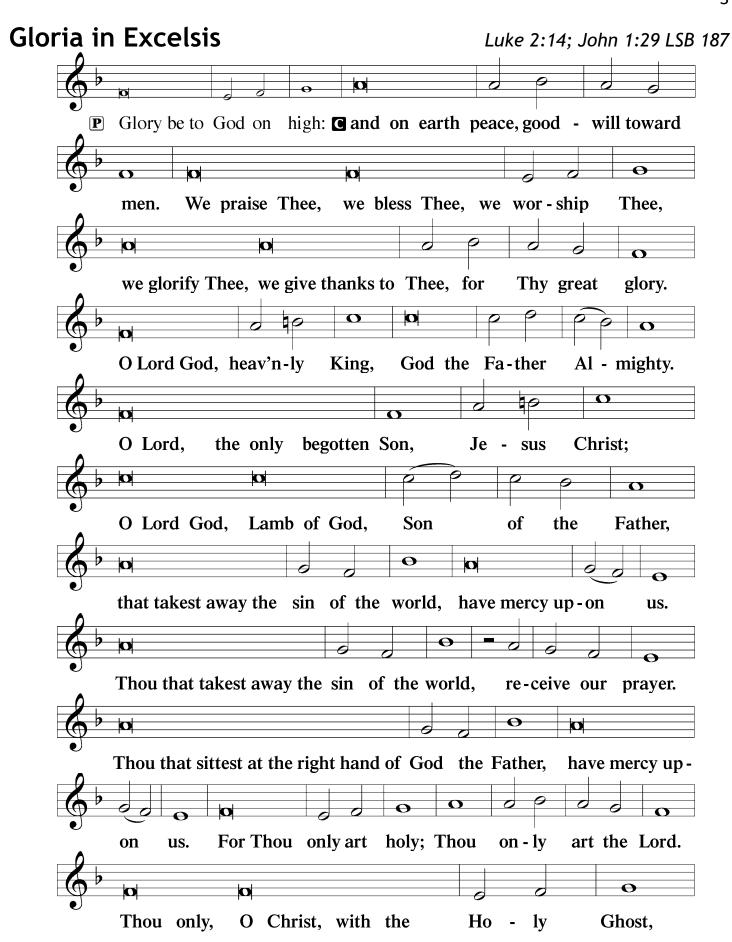
[John 20:19-23] LSB 185

- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the
 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.

Service of the Word



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Salutation and Collect of the Day



P O God, You have prepared for those who love You such good things as surpass our understanding. Cast out all sins and evil desires from us, and pour into our hearts Your Holy Spirit to guide us into all blessedness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 65:1-9

A The Old Testament Reading is from Isaiah, chapter 65.

¹I was ready to be sought by those who did not ask for me; I was ready to be found by those who did not seek me.
I said, "Here am I, here am I," to a nation that was not called by my name.
²I spread out my hands all the day to a rebellious people,

who walk in a way that is not good, following their own devices; ³a people who provoke me to my face continually, sacrificing in gardens and making offerings on bricks; ⁴who sit in tombs, and spend the night in secret places; who eat pig's flesh, and broth of tainted meat is in their vessels; ⁵who say, "Keep to yourself, do not come near me, for I am too holy for you." These are a smoke in my nostrils, a fire that burns all the day. ⁶Behold, it is written before me: "I will not keep silent, but I will repay; I will indeed repay into their bosom ⁷both your iniquities and your fathers' iniquities together, says the LORD; because they made offerings on the mountains and insulted me on the hills. I will measure into their bosom payment for their former deeds." ⁸Thus says the LORD: "As the new wine is found in the cluster, and they say, 'Do not destroy it, for there is a blessing in it,' so I will do for my servants' sake, and not destroy them all. ⁹I will bring forth offspring from Jacob, and from Judah possessors of my mountains; my chosen shall possess it, and my servants shall dwell there."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart, **the word of faith that we proclaim.** For with the heart one believes and is justified,

and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.

Epistle

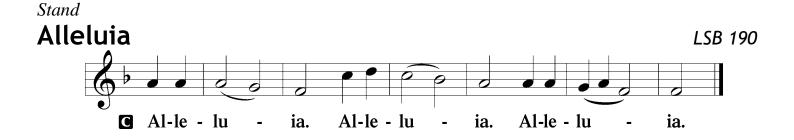
Galatians 3:23-4:7

A The Epistle is from Galatians, chapter 3.

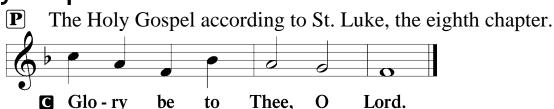
²³Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. ²⁴So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith. ²⁵But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian, ²⁶for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. ²⁷For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. ²⁸There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.

¹I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no different from a slave, though he is the owner of everything, ²but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by his father. ³In the same way we also, when we were children, were enslaved to the elementary principles of the world. ⁴But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, ⁵to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. ⁶And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" ⁷So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.



Holy Gospel



²⁶Then they sailed to the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. ²⁷When Jesus had stepped out on land, there met him a man from the city who had demons. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he had not lived in a house but among the tombs. ²⁸When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him and said with a loud voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me." ²⁹For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many a time it had seized him. He was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the desert.) ³⁰Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion," for many demons had entered him. ³¹And they begged him not to command them to depart into the abyss. ³²Now a large herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside, and they begged him to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. ³³Then the demons came out of the man and entered the pigs, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and were drowned.

³⁴When the herdsmen saw what had happened, they fled and told it in the city and in the country. ³⁵Then people went out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus and found the man from whom the demons had gone, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind, and they were afraid. ³⁶And those who had seen it told them how the demon-possessed man had been healed. ³⁷Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked him to depart from them, for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. ³⁸The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him, but Jesus sent him away, saying, ³⁹"Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." And he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city how much Jesus had done for him.



Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

> And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead. whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord and giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,

who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,

and I look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn of the Day: 811 Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices



Sermon

Rev. Dennis Meeker



Sit Offering

Note: Please continue to place your offerings into the plates as you enter or leave church as we will not be passing the plates through the congregation. The offering plates will be brought forward at this time to remind us that our offerings are given in thankfulness to Him for His blessings to each of us.

Stand Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

O King of kings and Lord of lords, You call out to every nation of the earth seeking repentance and justice, even as they rebel against Your will. Work repentance in all civil leaders. Use them to defend the weak and to punish the guilty, that the Church may have free course to preach the Gospel. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

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P Gracious God, Your Son sent the man formerly possessed by demons to declare how much God had done for him. May Your Church also, rescued from the snares of the devil, proclaim how much Jesus has done for us. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Compassionate Father, from whom all fatherhood is named, we give You thanks for earthly fathers. Give them confidence in their station and zeal for their task to care for their families faithfully. Make them examples to their children of godly life and love of Your Word. Bless their work of bringing up children in the fear and instruction of the Lord, and give them the comfort of Your absolution over all their shortcomings. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Almighty God, You have established governments and institutions for good order and our well-being. Guide and grant wisdom to leaders and citizens. Give peace, security and good laws to our own country, our cities and our communities. Lord, in Your mercy,

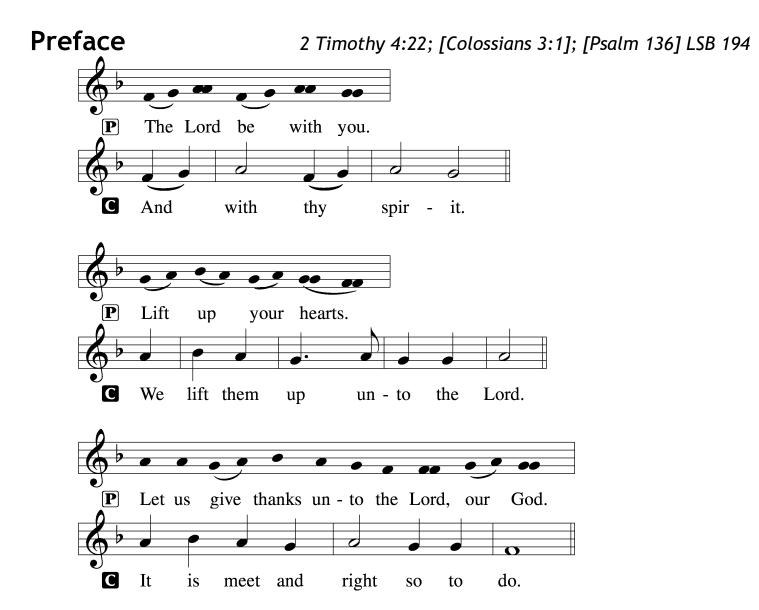
C hear our prayer.

P O Lord, Your Son, Jesus, had pity on the man afflicted with an abundance of demons. Have mercy now on the afflictions that beset [_______ and] all for whom we pray. Give them healing, strength and an increase of faith. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

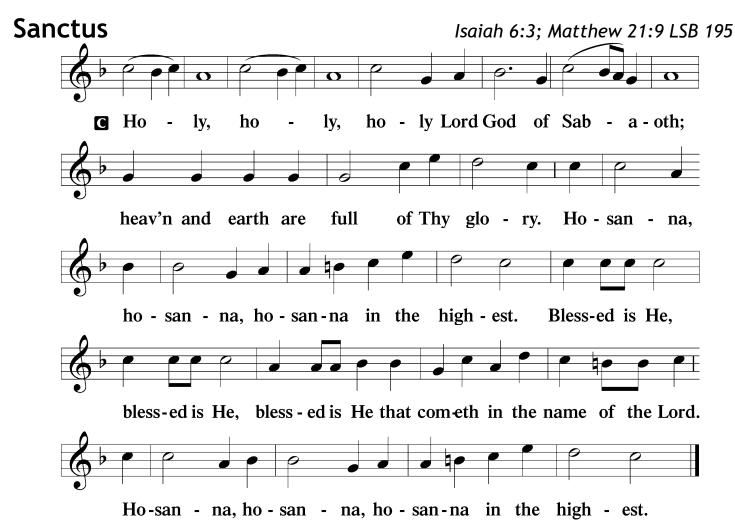
- P Merciful God, Isaiah spoke of the new wine, full of blessing, that will not be destroyed. Grant us faithfully to eat and drink our Lord's own body and blood given in the fellowship of this altar. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- P Dear Father, You know the condition of our souls, that we frequently wander into sins, vice and danger. Hear our prayers for the sake of Christ, who defeated legions of demons so that we might receive adoption as sons; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- **C** Amen.

Service of the Sacrament



Proper Preface

It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13 162

- **P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- 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.

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."



Sit Distribution AS YOU RECEIVE THE LORD'S SUPPER

• If—for any reason—you prefer to receive communion while remaining at your seat, please let an usher know as you arrive so that we can bring communion to you.

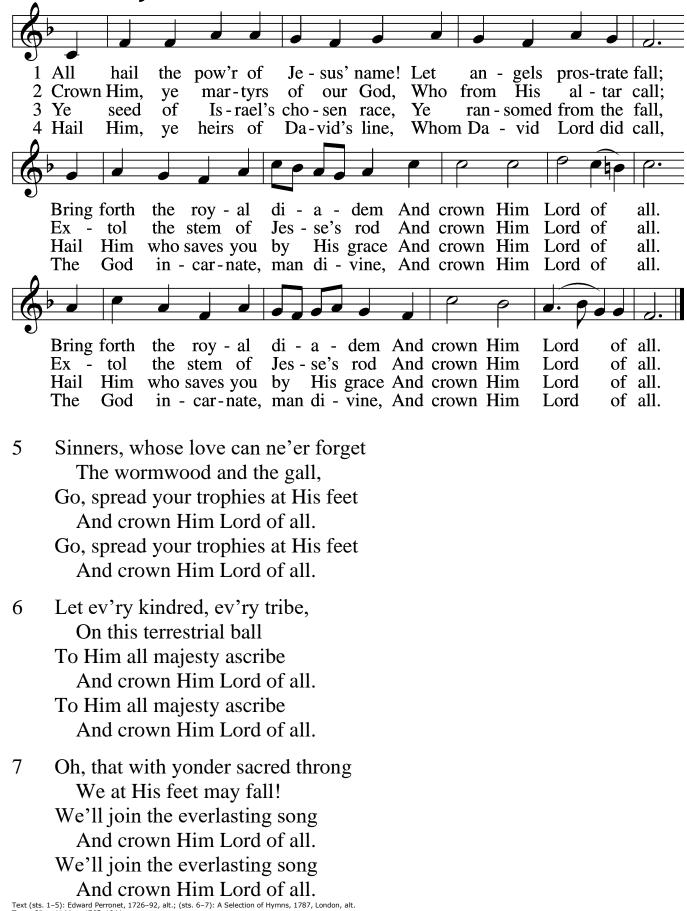
• Directions

- \circ Ushers will dismiss the congregation beginning from the back of the sanctuary.
- Fill the communion rail beginning from the lectern side (left).
- Kneel or stand as you are able.
- Pastor will distribute the body of Christ followed by the assistants with the blood of Christ (individual or common cup).
- Once you have received the body and blood of Christ, dismiss yourself and return to your seat via the Fellowship Hall through the side door.
- If you have received an individual cup, place it in the basket provided on your way out the door.
- Gluten-free communion bread is available. Simply ask pastor for this option as you come forward for communion.
- A low/no-alcohol option is also available. On the tray of individual cups are several
 plastic cups that contain juice with a drop of wine included. This dilute amount of wine
 uses the element with which the Lord's Supper was instituted (wine) while providing an
 alternative if needed. Please feel free to see Pastor or an Elder if you have any
 questions.

Distribution Hymn: Thanks to Thee, O Christ, Victorious



Distribution Hymn: All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name LSB 549



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Distribution Hymn: "Come, Follow Me," the Savior Spake

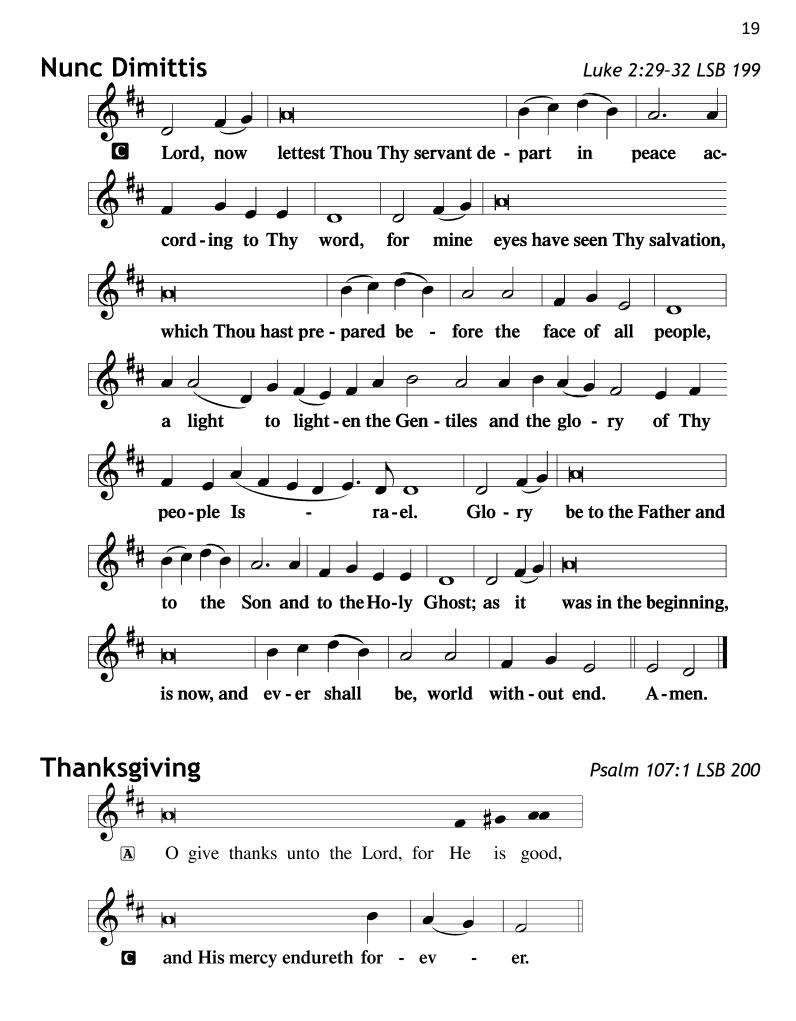


Stand The Dismissal

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- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart

 → in peace.
- **C** Amen.

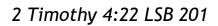


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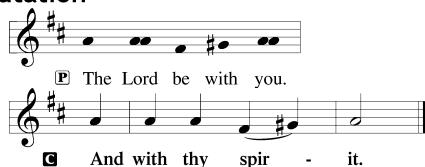
A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

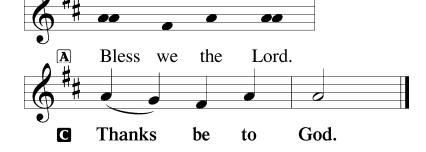








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Psalm 103:1 LSB 202

Benediction

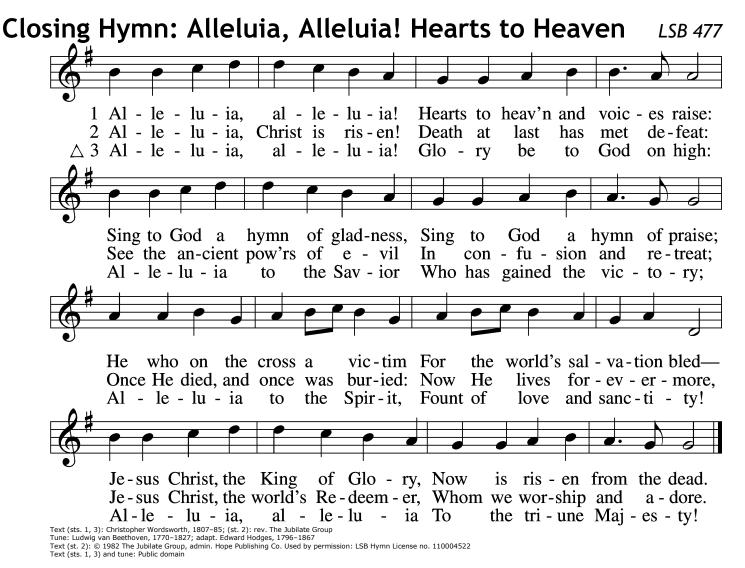
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A-men,

Numbers 6:24-26 LSB 202

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.

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THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL

Today
Today
Tuesday
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Wednesday

12:00 PM-2:00 PM 5:00-7:00 PM 7:00 PM NO Bible Study

Between Services LWML Father's Day Ice Cream Social Walk-In Communion Walk-In Communion **Executive Meeting** (Resumes July 20th)

LWML ANNUAL FATHER'S DAY ICE CREAM SOCIAL is today! Everyone is invited between services to join us in the Fellowship Hall to enjoy a scoop, or two of ice cream with juicy strawberries and other sweet toppings.

FREE HEALTH & BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING is scheduled for next Sunday. We are halfway there to meet the minimum of 25 to hold this event. 8:30-10:30 AM. Please sign-up at the Welcome Center. For questions, please contact Beth Bremke.

<u>SUMMER FELLOWSHIP HOUR</u> will kick-off next Sunday! Between worship services on the last Sunday of the month we will gather together to enjoy fellowship and food! If you would like to bring a dish to share, please sign-up at the Welcome Center. Fellowship dates: June 26th, (July 31st Church Picnic - separate sign-up sheet) and August 28th

LWML IN-GATHERINGS FOR OHIO DISTRICT Thank you to of all those who donated items. Our delegates took them to the convention last Friday.

WORSHIP BULLETINS & ATTENDANCE SLIPS You're encouraged to take home your worship bulletins (use the scriptures, hymns and prayers for your own devotions!). Please use the blue recycle tub that is located in the hallway as you leave the sanctuary to place ONLY bulletins and <u>unused attendance slips</u>. Thank you.

PORTALS OF PRAYER the April-June devotion booklets are available in the Narthex hallway, please take one home today.

SUPPORT FOR UKRAINE We are taking a door offering to provide relief to those affected by the war in Ukraine. Thank you to everyone who has shown their generosity.

COMMUNION OPPORTUNITIES

Pastor is still providing individual communion opportunities for the foreseeable future.

- 1. Check the posted times for "walk-in" communion below.
- 2. Scheduling an appointment with Pastor at church or in your home.

"Walk-In" times at Church:

- \circ Sundays, 12 2pm
- Tuesdays, 5 7pm

Scheduling an appointment for communion at church or in your home:

- To schedule a time other than the walk-in times
 - o Call Pastor 440-458-0189
 - Visit <u>www.spvc.org</u> and click "Book with Pastor" to see available times for appointments.

<u>TITHES & OFFERINGS</u> are needed; our Lord still provides for us and we return to Him a portion of His generosity. You have several ways to continue contributing:

- 1. In-person Worship on Sundays at 8:00 & 10:30 AM
- 2. Mail your contributions to the church.
- 3. Talk to your bank about "bill-pay" options. They can likely send a check directly to the church on a scheduled basis.
- 4. Visit <u>www.spvc.org</u> and click on "Give Online" you'll be taken to our secure online giving site where you can make a one-time or on-going contribution.

WATCH LIVE OR ON-DEMAND 8:00 AM on Sundays, or on-demand at YouTube, Facebook, or www.spvc.org – on the homepage is a viewer for the livestream (when active) and for the most recent service. Bulletins are available via the link. Select the bulletin for the date of the service you are watching.

IN-PERSON SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS watch LIVE or On-Demand just like our worship services (YouTube, Facebook, or www.spvc.org) on Sunday mornings at 9:30 AM.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY at 10:00 AM. Attend in-person or watch the stream live and on-demand.

PASTORAL CARE Should you desire pastoral care, please contact the church office 330.483.3883, or 330.483.4119 and leave a message for Pastor.

PRAYER REQUESTS can be sent to prayer@spvc.org - also, email there to join the prayer chain and receive all the updates.



... TODAY WE WELCOME ...



Rev. Dennis Meeker to Visit St. Paul!

Rev. Dennis Meeker, head of 4 Kenya's Kids and Point of Grace Academy in Kenya will be our guest mission speaker. This is a fantastic opportunity to connect with Rev. Meeker while he is in the United States and hear about the great things happening in Kenya. We currently sponsor a student through 4 Kenya's Kids.

We will take a door offering that day and add it to the offerings gathered by the VBS students throughout their week.

Visit www.4kenyaskids.org

MERCY HEALTH PARISH NURSING

Free Health & Blood Pressure Screening

The mission of the Mercy Health Ministry/ Parish Nursing Program is to improve the health of our communities. We're an interfaith congregation/healthcare partnership with a focus on the whole person body, mind and spirit.

Mercy Health Ministry/ Parish Nursing Program Phone: 440-989-3900 Fax: 440-233-1022

FUNDED BY:

- Mercy Health
- Mercy Health Foundation Lorain
- Community Foundation of Lorain County

Where: St. Paul Lutheran Church 1377 Lester Road Valley City, OH

When: Sunday, June 26, 2022

Time: 8:30 - 10:30 AM

Fasting Encouraged! Take AM meds with water if possible.

FREE SCREENINGS INCLUDE:

- CHEMISTRY PROFILE (includes Cholesterol, Glucose, Triglycerides, HDL, LDL, LDL/HDL) - Screen for heart disease or coronary artery disease.
- HgA1c Screen for uncontrolled diabetes
- TSH Screen for thyroid disease
- PSA Screen for prostate cancer (men 40+)
- Blood Pressure



A Catholic healthcare ministry serving Ohio and Kentucky

			JUNE 2022		
	SERVICE	June 5	June 12	June 19	June 26
		SUNDAY	SUNDAY	SUNDAY	SUNDAY
		Communion	Communion	Communion	
ELDER	me8	Tim Wadle / Steve Kato	Tim Wadle / Steve Kato	Tim Wadle / Steve Kato	Steve Kato
	10:30am	Jim Jackson / Rob Zacharias	Jim Jackson / Rob Zacharias	Sam Jakabcic / Rob Zacharias	Sam Jakabcic
USHERS	8am	Mark Gordon	Jim Sherry	Chris Duran	Dave Hesketh
	10:30am	Jay Moser	Brian Dearth	Brian Dearth	Jay Moser
GREETERS	8am	Heinrich & Irmgard Cordes	David & Mackenzie Duran	Dean & Beth Bremke	Heinrich & Irmgard Cordes
	10:30am	Barb Pijor	Elder	Elder	Barb Pijor
ELDER INFO					
Stephen Kato					
330-242-7183					
Tim Wadle					
216-214-7109					
Jim Jackson					
330-391-6393					
Rob Zacharias					
330-416-6013					
Sam Jakabcic					
216-789-1076					

Prayers for Worship

On entering a church

Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells. In the multitude of Your tender mercies prepare my heart that I may enter Your house to worship and confess Your holy name; through Jesus Christ, my God and Lord. Amen.

Before worship

O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for His sake. Amen.

After worship

Almighty and merciful God, I have again worshiped in Your presence and received both forgiveness for my many sins and the assurance of Your love in Jesus Christ. I thank You for this undeserved grace and ask You to keep me in faith until I inherit eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

Before confession and absolution

Almighty, everlasting God, for our many sins we justly deserve eternal condemnation. In Your mercy You sent Your dear Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who won for us forgiveness of sins and everlasting salvation. Grant us a true confession that, dead to sin, we may be raised up by Your life-giving absolution. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may be ever watchful and live true and godly lives in Your service; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Before communing

Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Thanksgiving after receiving the Sacrament

Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send me Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

For blessing on the Word

Lord God, bless Your Word wherever it is proclaimed. Make it a word of power and peace to convert those not yet Your own and to confirm those who have come to saving faith. May Your Word pass from the ear to the heart, from the heart to the lip, and from the lip to the life that, as You have promised, Your Word may achieve the purpose for which You send it; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.