

Sunday Morning Liturgy

God Gathers Us in Prayer and Praise

Announcements

Music of Praise – ***Solid Rock***

Confession and Forgiveness:

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the creator of wind and rain, field and ocean, the bread of life coming down from above, the power at work within us and this world.

C: AMEN.

P: Before God and in the company of our sisters and brothers, let us confess our sin.

(brief silence follows)

P: God and Father of all,

C: WE CONFESS THAT WE HAVE SINNED AGAINST YOU IN THOUGHT, WORD, AND DEED. WE HAVE THOUGHT BETTER OF OURSELVES THAN OTHERS. WE HAVE TOLD LIES, SAID HURTFUL THINGS, ACTED IN WAYS WE WISH WE COULD TAKE BACK, AND LOOKED THE OTHER WAY WHEN ACTION WAS NEEDED. IN YOUR MERCY, O GOD, FORGIVE US, CLEANSE US, AND HEAL US, FOR THE SAKE OF JESUS, OUR SAVIOR. AMEN.

P: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; everything has become new! In Christ, we are a new creation: our sins are taken away and we are made new. Let us be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven us.

C: AMEN.

Music of Praise – ***Little Mountain Church House***

Greeting:

P: The grace that is Christ's gift to us, the love of God, and the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace be with you all.

C: AND ALSO WITH YOU.

Prayer of the Day

We Hear God's Word

First Reading: Lamentations 3:22-33

Psalm: 30

Second Reading: II Corinthians 8:7-15

Gospel: Mark 5:21-43

Response after the reading is announced: **GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.**

Response after the reading is concluded: **PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.**

Music of Praise – ***Model Church***

Sermon

We Respond to All That God Gives Us

We Proclaim Our Faith:

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. (THIS MEANS THAT) I BELIEVE THAT JESUS CHRIST, TRUE GOD, BEGOTTEN OF THE FATHER IN ETERNITY, AND ALSO A TRUE HUMAN BEING, BORN OF THE VIRGIN MARY, IS MY LORD. HE HAS REDEEMED ME, A LOST AND CONDEMNED HUMAN BEING. HE HAS PURCHASED AND FREED ME FROM ALL SINS, FROM DEATH, AND FROM THE POWER OF THE DEVIL, NOT WITH GOLD OR SILVER BUT WITH HIS HOLY, PRECIOUS BLOOD AND WITH HIS INNOCENT SUFFERING AND DEATH. HE HAS DONE ALL THIS IN ORDER THAT I MAY BELONG TO HIM, LIVE UNDER HIM IN HIS KINGDOM, AND SERVE HIM IN ETERNAL RIGHTEOUSNESS, INNOCENCE, AND BLESSEDNESS, JUST AS HE IS RISEN FROM THE DEAD AND LIVES AND RULES ETERNALLY. THIS IS MOST CERTAINLY TRUE.

-Martin Luther's *Small Catechism*

Music of Praise – ***Love of the Mountains***

Prayers

Our Lord's Prayer:

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.

God Sends Us to Share the Good News

Blessing:

P: Almighty and merciful God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep us this day and forevermore.

C: AMEN

Music of Praise – ***Wings of Angels***

Dismissal:

P: Go in peace. Live in love, as Christ loved us.

C: WE WILL! THANKS BE TO GOD!

Music of Praise – ***I'll Fly Away***

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Our Mission

St. John congregation, responding to the call of the Holy Spirit through the Gospel, unites together to preach and teach the Word, administer the sacraments, and carry out God's mission. With God's guidance and grace, we strive to boldly proclaim by word and action the reconciling Gospel of Jesus: Working together for justice and peace, and caring for those in need in our community and world. We invite everyone to join us wherever you are on your faith journey.

Adopted December 8, 2013

Serving Today

The Rev. Thomas G. Bruner, Jr.	Pastor
Laurie Little	Young Christians Minister
Judy Ferree	Keyboardist
Joshua Paul	Lector
Roy Henry	Council President

For the month of June, our **Celebrate** lectionary bulletin is sponsored by Mike and Carol Hubler, for all things bright and beautiful, the Lord God made them all and in celebration of the birthdays of Esther, Shelley, Carol and June. **Tree 4 Hope** and Support of one pastor for one month in the **Konde Diocese** of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania is sponsored by Vincent and Sandra Lamenza in memory of Aunt Pearl Buffington.

Today, Sunday, June 27

8:45am Adult Bible Study (On Zoom)
9:30am SONDay Celebration with Miss Laurie (In-Person at Church – **Masks, covering both nose and mouth, are required for all young persons and parents/adults attending this indoor “close-up” time with our young persons cannot yet be vaccinated.**)
9:30am **OUTDOOR WORSHIP, WITH SPECIAL MUSICAL GUESTS “THE LYKENS VALLEY BLUEGRASS BAND” – Followed by Ice Cream and Strawberries** (In-Person and On Zoom – **All persons who are fully vaccinated and who wish to do so may go without masks and safe distancing, while masks, covering both nose and mouth, and safe distancing continue to be required of all those who are not yet fully vaccinated.**)

Monday, June 28

8-9:30am Pastor Tom's Office Hours

Tuesday, June 29

8-9:30am Pastor Tom's Office Hours

Wednesday, June 30

8am-12pm Pastor Tom's Office Hours
7pm Weekly Congregational Family Time of Prayer for Our Health Professionals (**Please make use of the list of health care professionals at the end of this bulletin information, taking a few minutes to lift each person up to God by name. To add names to the list, please contact Pastor Tom with their information.**)

Thursday, July 1

8am-12pm Pastor Tom's Office Hours

Friday, July 2

8-9:30am Pastor Tom's Office Hours

Saturday, July 3

Pastor Tom's Weekly Day Off

Next Sunday, July 4

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
8:45am Adult Bible Study (On Zoom)
9:30am SONDay Celebration with Miss Laurie (In-Person at Church – **Masks, covering both nose and mouth, are required for all young persons and parents/adults attending this indoor “close-up” time with our young persons cannot yet be vaccinated.**)
9:30am **OUTDOOR WORSHIP, ENDING WITH “DRIVE THROUGH” HOLY COMMUNION WITH PASTOR TOM AND MISS LAURIE** (In-Person and On Zoom – **All persons who are fully vaccinated and who wish to do so may go without masks and safe distancing, while masks, covering both nose and mouth, and safe distancing continue to be required of all those who are not yet fully vaccinated. Everyone is encouraged to dress warmly and bring along a jacket for our outdoor gathering on this breezy hill!**)

Looking Ahead

Outdoor Worship on Sunday, July 11, will conclude with the next “Drive-Through Holy Communion” with Pastor Tom and Miss Laurie. (**Mutual Ministry Committee will meet in the pavilion and the Women of the ELCA of St. John will meet in the conference room immediately following serving of Holy Communion.**)

Congregational Council will hold their midsummer meeting on Sunday, July 11, beginning at 7:00 P.M. in person at the church.

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Your Chance to (Still) Give the Gift of Fun – and Support our Youth Group!

In case you didn't get a chance to purchase those books of Knoebels tickets prior to filling your Easter baskets, Youth Group still has a (steadily-dropping; thank you!) number of **\$20 books** of Knoebels ride tickets for sale for just **\$18**. All proceeds will go to our Youth Group for support of Youth Group outings and the planned 2022 ELCA National Youth Gathering. Please speak with Advisor **Olivia Williard** to purchase your tickets, and watch for the table which will be set up for future times of outdoor worship. **And remember – one of the many things that we all love about Knoebels is that those ride tickets never expire!!**

If you are not yet ready to take part in in-person worship, there are **three** very simple options for giving your tithes and offerings. You are welcome to 1. mail your offering to the church (PO Box 270, Berrysburg, 17005-0270) or 2. drop it by the church and place it in the red plastic tub that is prominently visible in the Sunday School Room, on the table just outside Pastor Tom's office door. In addition, 3. if neither of those is easily done, you may wish to contact your bank about setting up an automatic payment, as some of our congregational family members also have done, whereby the offering you direct is sent by your bank as a check mailed directly to the church. In all cases, Pastor Tom will then see that all offerings received get securely passed along to our counters.

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Hospitalized/Residing in Senior Living/Dealing with Acute Illness

- **Louise Baumgardner** – Discharged from Penn State Hershey Medical Center on 6/21
- **Jane Grosser** – Rm. #206, Premier at Susquehanna, Millersburg, 17061
- **Warren Hassinger** – Rm. #101 – Connections Unit, Providence Place of Pottsville, 2200 First Avenue, Pottsville, 17901
- **Lorraine Henninger** – Rm. #133, Frey Village, 1020 North Union Street, Middletown, 17057
- **Marzette Hoffman** – Rm. #803, Premier at Susquehanna, Millersburg, 17061
- **Cora Mace** – Rm. #3647, Roosevelt 3, Masonic Health Care Center, 600 Freemason Drive, Elizabethtown, 17022
- **Joyce Matter** – Rm. #128, Commonwealth Senior Living at Harrisburg, 150 Kempton Avenue, Harrisburg, 17111 (717.909.0417)
- **Lois Watson** – Continuing Her Recovery at Home with Visiting Therapists and Other Caregivers

Our Faith Active in Worship – June 20, 2021

Current – Budget Goal	\$2,545
Current – Offerings Received	\$2,823.50
Benevolence – Offerings Received	\$363
Improvement – Offerings Received	\$108.75
Children & Youth Ministry – Offerings Received	\$213.75
Total Attendance	Zoom – 16, In Person – 61

Medical Professionals in our prayers in this time of COVID-19:

- **Paulette Warner, Non-Emergency Medical Transportation**
- **Jenna Troutman, RN**
- **Jodi Thompson, CCMA**
- **Gwen Switzer, RTR**
- **Payton Stutzman, Hospital Clinical Assistant**
- **Kristen Spicher, RN**
- **Sara Shaffer, RN**
- **Steven Schlegel, Paramedic**
- **Michelle Scheff*, MS, CCC/SLP** (Speech Therapist in Seattle, WA)
- **Joanne Rheem*, Healthcare Administrator**
- **David Rheem*, Healthcare Administrator**
- **Dr. Todd Peters*** (Chief Medical Officer in Baltimore, MD)
- **Joshua Peters, PA-C** (Serving in Colorado)
- **Dr. Alayna Peters** (Doctor of Pharmacy in Hagerstown, MD)
- **Courtney Peifer*, Psych Technician**
- **Sara Paul, Family Practice Center Medical Receptionist**
- **Bobby Paul, BS**
- **Angela Paul, PTA**
- **Cindy Nicholson*, RN**
- **Whitni Ney, RN**
- **Haley Nestor*, BSN, RN**
- **Shannon Motter, RN**
- **Courtney Miller, B.S. R.T(R)(CT)**
- **Roni Mace, RN**
- **Heidi Lehman, RT (R)**
- **Shawnita Latsha, RT (RDMS, RVT)**
- **Rose Kell, MS** (Occupational Therapist in California)
- **Nichole Holman*, RN**
- **Dr. Tonya Henninger & Dr. Sarah Bork*** (Hospitalists in Seattle, WA)
- **Robert Foreman, Paramedic**
- **Courtney Foreman, RN**
- **Glenn Fontaine*, RN** (Serving in Michigan)
- **Ann Fontaine*, PA-C** (Serving in Michigan)
- **Olivia Enders, CNA**
- **Dr. Seth Eisenberg*** (Anesthesiologist in Atlanta, GA)
- **Rachel Denlinger*, RN** (Serving in Charleston, SC)
- **Gary Daniels, EMT**
- **Dr. Timothy Bruner & Dr. Gabrielle Fregeau*** (Doctors of Physical Therapy in Ocean County, NJ)
- **Dr. Daniel Bruner & Dr. Richelle Demers*** (Doctors of Chiropractic)
- **Dr. Jerrel Boyer*** (Neurosurgeon in Chicago, IL)
- **Dr. Brett Bellis*** (Doctor of Chiropractic)
- **Chelsea Beard, EFDA**

* denotes someone who is a part of our extended congregational family