

Welcome to
Luther Memorial Church
of the Erie Lutheran Parish



31 JULY 2022
The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Today's texts offer instruction and encouragement for all who are occasionally overwhelmed by the "unhappy business" of life. Jesus urges us to take care and be on guard against all kinds of greed. We who have died with Christ in holy baptism have also been raised with him and are encouraged to elevate our thinking, seeking the "things that are above." To that end we seek the sustenance of the Lord's supper and the encouragement of God's word.

LUTHER MEMORIAL CHURCH

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THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Holy Communion • ELW – Setting Four • 10:30

LUTHER MEMORIAL CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

Luther Memorial is Christ's church that brings its ministry to northwest Pennsylvania within the context of its Lutheran heritage.

As a church that ministers to the community, it seeks to be an inclusive congregation providing a welcoming environment for all to worship, learn, and enhance both personal spiritual growth and fellowship.

GATHERING – “The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.”

PRELUDE – Partita on "Jesus, Priceless Treasure"
"God of Grace and God of Glory"

arr. Johann Gottfried Walther
arr. Gerhard Krapf

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

Bless us, O God, with a reverent sense of your presence, that we may be at peace and may worship you with all our mind and spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Lutheran Book of Worship

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand as you are able.

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.



P Merciful God,
C 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.

P 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.

C Amen.

Text for this hymn comes from the pen of a distinguished American cleric, who wrote it for the opening of Riverside Church in New York City, which the congregation had built at his request. The composer of the tune was a Welsh coal miner and churchman, and the tune name honors his lifelong home, the Rhondda Valley, Glamorganshire, Wales. The tune was written for a singing festival in Wales, and in the first 25 years of the 20th century it was used in over five thousand such festivals.

ENTRANCE HYMN

ELW 705

God of Grace and God of Glory



1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on your peo - ple
 2 Lo! The hosts of e - vil round us scorn the Christ, as -
 3 Cure your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils



pour your pow'r; crown your an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry;
 sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us
 your con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,
 we de - plore; let the gift of your sal - va - tion



bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age
 free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age
 rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,



for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.
 for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.
 lest we miss your king - dom's goal, lest we miss your king - dom's goal.
 serv - ing you whom we a - dore, serv - ing you whom we a - dore.

Text: Harry E. Fosdick, 1878–1969
 Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873–1932

GREETING

- P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
C **And also with you.**

KYRIE

- A** In peace, let us pray to the Lord.
C **Lord, have mercy.**
- A** For the peace from above,
and for our salvation,
let us pray to the Lord.
C **Lord, have mercy.**
- A** 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.
C **Lord, have mercy.**
- A** For this holy house,
and for all who offer here their worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord.
C **Lord, have mercy.**
- A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
C **Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P** Let us pray.
C **Benevolent God, you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Please be seated.

WORD – *“God speaks to us in Scripture reading, preaching and song.”*

The teacher of wisdom who wrote Ecclesiastes sees that working for mere accumulation of wealth turns life into an empty game, a “vanity of vanities.” Nevertheless, he asserts in the next verse, it is good to find enjoyment in one’s work because such enjoyment is a gift from God.

FIRST READING: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23

²Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher,
vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

¹²I, the Teacher, when king over Israel in Jerusalem, ¹³applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to human beings to be busy with. ¹⁴I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun; and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind. ^{2:18}I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to those who come after me ¹⁹—and who knows whether they will be wise or foolish? Yet they will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. ²⁰So I turned and gave my heart up to despair ►

concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, ²¹because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. ²²What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? ²³For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

☐ The word of the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 49:1-11 (*Sung once by the choir, then repeated by the congregation and sung where indicated by R.*)

We can nev - er ran - som our - selves
or de - liv - er to God the price of our life.

¹Hear this all you peoples; hearken all you who dwell in the world,
you of high degree and low, rich and poor together.

²My mouth shall speak of wisdom,
and my heart shall meditate on understanding.

³I will incline my ear to a proverb
and set forth my riddle upon the harp. **R**

⁴Why should I be afraid in evil days,
when the wickedness of those at my heels surrounds me,

⁵the wickedness of those who put their trust in their goods,
and boast of their great riches?

⁶We can never ransom ourselves,
or deliver to God the price of our life;

⁷for the ransom of our life is so great,
that we should never have enough to pay for it,

⁸in order to live forever and ever,
and never see the grave. **R**

⁹For we see that the wise die also; like the dull and stupid they perish
and leave their wealth to those who come after them.

¹⁰Their graves shall be their home forever,
their dwelling places from generation to generation,
though they call the lands after their own names.

¹¹Even though honored, they cannot live forever;
they are like the beasts that perish. **R**

Life in Christ includes a radical reorientation of our values. Just as the newly baptized shed their old clothes and put on new garments, so Christians are called to let go of greed and take hold of a life shaped by God's love in Christ.

SECOND READING: Colossians 3:1-11

¹So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, ³for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. ►

⁵Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). ⁶On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. ⁷These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. ⁸But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. ⁹Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices ¹⁰and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. ¹¹In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twelfth chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

In God's reign, the "rich will be sent away empty." Jesus uses a parable to warn against identifying the worth of one's life with the value of one's possessions rather than one's relationship with God.

GOSPEL: Luke 12:13-21

¹³Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus,] "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." ¹⁴But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" ¹⁵And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." ¹⁶Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. ¹⁷And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' ¹⁸Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' ²⁰But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' ²¹So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

Pastor Lundwall

Please stand as you are able.

The classic marriage of words and music that characterizes German chorales can be seen well in this simple but intense text voiced by an already elegant tune. Text and tune evoke each other and reinforce the ardor of those who sing.

HYMN OF THE DAY

ELW 775

Jesus, Priceless Treasure



1 Je - sus, price-less trea - sure, source of pur - est plea - sure,
 2 In thine arm I rest me; foes who would mo - lest me
 3 Hence, all fears and sad - ness, for the Lord of glad - ness,



tru - est friend to me: ah, how long I've pant - ed, and my heart has
 can-not reach me here. Though the earth be shak - ing, ev - 'ry heart be
 Je - sus, en - ters in. God, who dear-ly loves us, from all tri - al



faint - ed, thirst - ing, Lord, for thee! Thine I am, O spot - less Lamb;
 quak - ing, Je - sus calms my fear. Light-nings flash and thun - ders crash;
 saves us, gives sweet peace with-in. I have borne this world - ly scorn;



no - thing in this world can hide thee, naught I ask be-side thee.
 yet, though sin and hell as - sail me, Je - sus will not fail me.
 still in thee lies pur - est plea - sure: Je - sus, price-less trea - sure!

Text: Johann Franck, 1618–1677; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.
 Music: JESU, MEINE FREUDE, Johann Crüger, 1598–1662

APOSTLES' CREED

A With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

C **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.**

THE PRAYERS *1 Timothy 2:1*

A Trusting in God's extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy One in prayer.

A brief silence.

A O God, you are wholeness. Where there is division in your church, bring reconciliation and healing. Guide the work of theologians, Sunday school teachers, seminary professors, and all who provide instruction for the building up of your church. Merciful God,

C **receive our prayer.**

A O God, you are the source of all life. Where creation cries out in distress from fires, extreme heat, drought, destructive storms and flooding, bring relief and renewal. Give help and hope to all who are suffering from disasters. Give us, government leaders, and corporations the courage to do what we must to save this planet. Bless farmers, ranchers, distributors and all who provide our food. Nourish the land and all its inhabitants. Merciful God,

C **receive our prayer.**

A O God, you are wisdom. Where nations and communities yearn for peace and an end to violence, especially in Ukraine, Sudan, and Ethiopia, bring justice. Strengthen those who toil for the welfare of others, especially military personnel, police, firefighters, first responders, and activists, and those who work for the healing of the nations. Merciful God,

C **receive our prayer.**

A O God, you are life. Where your people are overwhelmed with the busy-ness of life, bring encouragement. Accompany all who experience emotional, mental, or physical distress. Renew us at your table of mercy. Merciful God,

C **receive our prayer.**

A O God, you are our treasure. Where scarcity and anxiety pervade your church, bring abundance and vitality. Guide the work of church councils and committees and give them clarity for the work of ministry in this place. Merciful God,

C **receive our prayer.**

A You guide us in all times of our lives. In this time of pastoral transition at Luther Memorial Church, strengthen all congregational members, leaders, and the Call Committee to hold firmly onto the promises of the Gospel, and continually give this congregation your wisdom and guidance. God of grace,

C **hear our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

A O God, you are resurrection. We give you thanks for all your saints, especially Rosanna Strausbaugh. Inspire us by their example of faithful living to set our minds on things above and to be rich in love toward you. Merciful God,

C **receive our prayer.**

P Receive the prayers of your children, merciful God, and hold us forever in your steadfast love; through Jesus Christ, our holy Wisdom.

C **Amen.**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

You are invited to greet those around you in your pew with a word or a sign of Christ's peace.

Please be seated.

MEAL – **“God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.”**

ANTHEM – "O Lord, Increase My Faith"

Orlando Gibbons

O Lord, increase my faith, strengthen me and confirm me in Thy true faith;

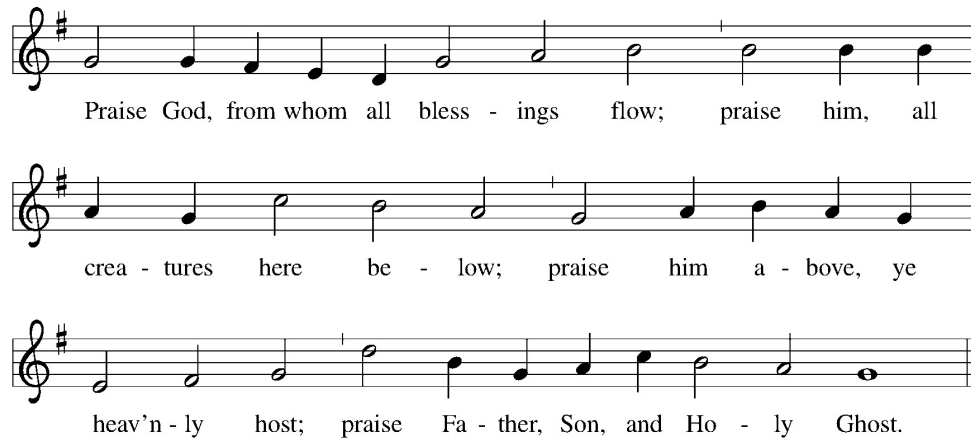
Endue me with wisdom, charity and patience in all my adversity.

Sweet Jesu, say Amen.

Please stand as you are able.

OFFERTORY

ELW 884



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all
crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye
heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637–1711
Music: OLD HUNDREDTH, Louis Bourgeois, 1510–1561

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A 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.

C Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING *Matthew 21:9*

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

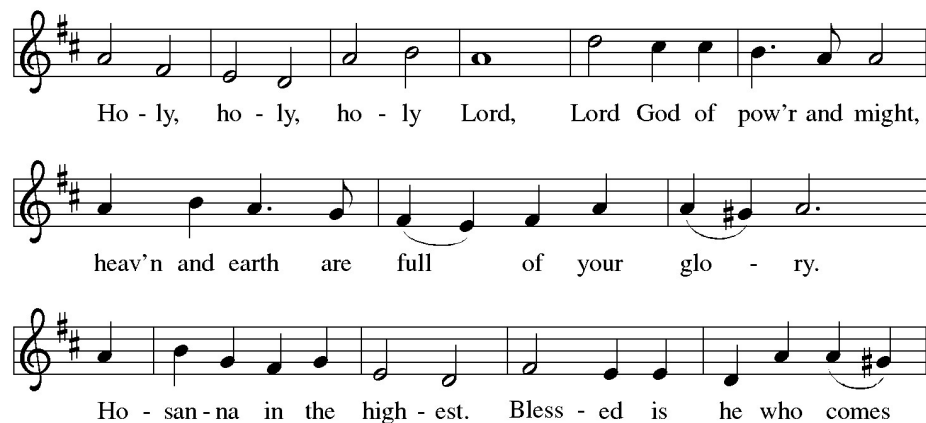
P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P 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:



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



in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P Holy God,
our Maker, Redeemer, and Healer,
in the harmonious world of your creation,
the plants and animals,
the seas and stars
were whole and well in your praise.

When sin had scarred the world,
you sent your Son to heal our ills
and to form us again into one.

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 acts of healing,
his body given up,
and his victory over death,
we await that day when all the peoples of the earth
will come to the river to enjoy the tree of life.

Send your Spirit upon us and this meal:
as grains scattered on the hillside become one bread,
so let your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth,
that all may be fed with the Bread of life, your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours,
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,
in your holy Church,
both now and forever.

C Amen.



☐ Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus 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. *Matthew 6:9***

AGNUS DEI



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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

☑ **Amen.**

☐ Those communing at home: take and eat, the body and blood of Christ given and shed for you.

The congregation is seated.

SILENT PRAYER BEFORE RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

O Jesus, our great high priest, be present with us as you were present with your disciples and make yourself known to us in the breaking of the bread. Lutheran Book of Worship

COMMUNION

Today's service is a celebration of Holy Communion. We believe that Jesus Christ is truly present in the gifts of bread and wine, bringing forgiveness of sins and new life to all who receive this sacrament. All baptized Christians who come at our Lord's invitation are welcome at His table of grace.

Please come forward by the center aisle and maintain appropriate physical distancing.

Receive the bread from the pastor then proceed to the assisting minister who will be holding a tray of cups with wine, and also cups with grape juice.

Take a cup and then return to your seat.

Gluten-free wafers are on the stand in front of the baptismal font.

If you are not going to receive Holy Communion, but would like to receive a blessing, please come forward with your arms crossed over your chest.

The text for this hymn is the work of a prolific hymn writer of 17th century Germany. The tune, whose composer was a great organist and hymn-writer of 19th century England, was originally written for a wedding hymn.

HYMN FOR THE DISTRIBUTION

ELW 542

O Living Bread from Heaven



1 O liv - ing Bread from heav - en, how well you feed your guest!
2 My Sav - ior, you have led me with - in your ho - liest place,
3 You gave me all I want - ed; this food can death de - stroy.
4 Oh, grant me then, well - strength - ened with heav'n - ly food, while here



The gifts that you have giv - en have filled my heart with rest.
and here your - self have fed me with trea - sures of your grace;
And you have free - ly grant - ed the cup of end - less joy.
my course on earth is length - ened, to serve you, free from fear;



O won - drous food of bless - ing! O cup that heals our woes!
for you have free - ly giv - en what earth could nev - er buy,
My Lord, I do not mer - it the fa - vor you have shown,
and bring me home to praise you where none can peace de - stroy,



My heart, this gift pos - sess - ing, in thank - ful song o'er - flows!
the bread of life from heav - en, that now I shall not die.
and all my soul and spir - it bow down be - fore your throne.
where I will ev - er raise you glad songs in end - less joy.

Text: Johann Rist, 1607–1667; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.
Music: AURELIA, Samuel S. Wesley, 1810–1876

Please stand as you are able.

BLESSING

- ☐ The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
☑ Amen.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

- ☐ 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!

The author of this hymn text is unknown. The translation is largely the work of celebrated hymnist and translator Catherine Winkworth. The melody comes from a 17th century German hymn, with several revisions made during the 18th century.

SENDING HYMN

ELW 589

All Depends on Our Possessing

1 All de - pends on our pos - sess - ing God's free grace and
5 If on earth my days should length - en, God, my wea - ry
con - stant bless - ing, though all earth - ly wealth de - part.
soul still strength - en; all my trust in you I place.
They who trust with faith un - shak - en by their God are
Earth - ly wealth is not a - bid - ing; like a stream a -
not for - sak - en and will keep a daunt - less heart.
way it's glid - ing; safe I an - chor in your grace.

DISMISSAL INTO THE WORLD FOR SERVICE

- A** Go in peace. Love your neighbor.
- C** Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE – "All Depends on Our Possessing"

arr. David Johnson, Dale Wood

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— SERVING TODAY —

PREACHING – Pastor Karen Lundwall

GREETERS – Elaine Kern, Betty Pletz, Gina Snider

ACOLYTE – Jessica Copfer

ASSISTING MINISTER – Liz Stroup

LECTOR – Mike Daniels

USHERS – Ann Flick, Carl Moore, Sally & Phil McAfee

ALTAR GUILD – Jessica Copfer, Mary Daniels



Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in honor of my grandchildren; Addie, Max, Alex and Anneka, by Donna Sedelmyer.

Our love and sympathy is with the family and friends of Rosanna Strausbaugh who died Monday, July 25, 2019. Her funeral service will be held at Luther Memorial at a date to be announced. Our prayers are with her husband, Roy.

Welcome to our Visitors!

We extend a warm welcome to those who are visiting with us today. Your presence with us is a blessing! If you have any questions about our congregation or its ministries, please call the church office at 814-454-0106. We are glad to help you in any way we can. Please worship with us again soon!

Worship

ReCharge contemporary service will be held Sunday, August 14. We'll begin with a summer picnic, games and fellowship at 4:00pm. Join us for worship from 5:00 – 6:00pm.

Erie Lutheran Parish beach service will be held Sunday, August 14 at 9:00am at Presque Isle, Cookhouse Pavilion. A continental breakfast will be served following worship. Please list your name and number attending on the sign-up sheet located at the welcome table. Be sure to bring a blanket or lawn chair. Reservations are due by Monday, August 1.

Luther Memorial beach service will be held Sunday, August 28 at 10:30am. A tureen luncheon will be served at 11:30am. We will meet at Presque Isle, Runner's Club Pavilion at Beach 1. Please bring a dish to share, your place setting and lawn chairs or blanket. Join us for some games and fun during the afternoon and enjoy the beautiful scenery of Presque Isle.

The Prelude brings us together for the beginning of our worship service each Sunday morning. Our worship time together concludes when the Postlude is complete. We ask that the chancel area remain unoccupied during these times of music as live video streaming continues through the entire worship service. Thank you.

Opportunities for Fellowship

Magic Fingers Grace Group meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 10:00-11:30am. We'll see your smiling faces on August 9 and August 23 with all your yarn and knitting or crochet needles. If you'd like to stop by to chat and visit, we'd love to see you. Please contact Norma, in the church office, or Jan MacInnes and let us know if you are in need of more yarn or have any questions.

Tidying Up

Volunteers are needed to help clean our main church and hall area on Saturday, August 13. We will begin at 9:00am; lunch will be provided. Please contact Norma in our church office to let us know you will be coming so lunch can be planned accordingly. Thank you.

Health Information

All are welcome to attend a conversation with a panel of palliative medicine and hospice care providers for the community. Come and learn about these two important health care opportunities for all people and those who love and care for them. There is no cost for this event held Tuesday, August 2, at 7:00pm at the Jefferson Educational Society, 3207 State Street, Erie, PA. For more information, call 814-459-8000 or visit www.JESerie.org.

Luther Memorial Church Policy

Masking at Luther Memorial Church is now optional. However, with the significant rise of covid cases in Erie County, we encourage you to wear a mask during worship. We continue to respect your choice for physical distancing. Thank you for your cooperation.

In Case of Emergency

In case of an emergency please contact our church office at 454-0106, ext. 221 during weekday business hours of 8:00am – 4:00pm to speak with Norma. During the weekend and evening you are welcome to contact Norma Buerk at 450-7162 or Linda Graffius at 440-5458. Thank you.

CALENDAR

MONDAY, AUGUST 1

TUESDAY, AUGUST 2

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3 12:30pm Deborah Circle / Ferrante's Restaurant

THURSDAY, AUGUST 4

FRIDAY, AUGUST 5

SATURDAY, AUGUST 6 1:00pm Family Gathering

SUNDAY, AUGUST 7, 2022 THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Pastor Karen Lundwall will preach at the 8:15am service in Faith Chapel and 10:30am worship service in the main church. The 10:30am service is live streamed on our church YouTube Channel; go to YouTube, in the search bar type in "Luther Memorial Church, Erie, PA". Subscribe to the channel.

The recorded service at 10:30am is also available on Luther Memorial Church's website at www.luthermemorialonline.org by clicking on the tabs of "Resources & Online Worship" and "Sunday Morning Worship, Daily Prayer and Bible Study".

Congregational Life will gather at 11:30am.

| SUNDAY, AUGUST 7, 2022 | | |
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| ASSISTING IN WORSHIP | | |
| Assisting Ministers | 8:15am | Ellen DiPlacido |
| | 10:30am | Emma Chaffee |
| Altar Guild | 8:15am | Pam Masiroff |
| | 10:30am | Martha & Tom Klomp |
| Greeters | 8:15am | Vicky Blasco |
| | 10:30am | Natalie Montero |

— BULLETIN PRAYER LIST —

| PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: | | | |
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| Our Members: | | | |
| Arden Fetcko | Mark Howell | Kathy & Ken Kraut | Jan MacInnes |
| C. Noelle Partusch | Dave Parsh | Wendy Kern | Mark Howell |
| Elizabeth & Scott Cowan | Pat Bellingham | Don Tatar | Bill Grande |
| Martha Stickner | | | |
| Friends and Family: | | | |
| Amy Daugherty | Bob R. | Amy Valentine | Linda F. |
| Eli Martinez Montero | Allison & Erik | N. S. | Kevin |
| Bishop Michael Lozano | Nancy Baker | Judy Skoog | Kathy Kisak |
| Meghan Kessler | Bonnie Ford | William Lemmon | Marie Checkley |
| Sophia | Sidney | Bob Guenther | Tammy Fuller |
| Brendon Sauers & Carol Stinson | Lesley | Amy & Nate | Donnie Schley |
| Melissa Geiser | Michelle Miller | Robbie Grainger | Amy Clark |
| Jessica & Damian Ream | Carol Suesser | Jane Esper | Tom McGrail |
| Kaleena H. | | | |
| Our Military Service Men & Women: | | | |
| Lt. Col. Matt Anderson | Michael Stickner | Andrew Watson | Alli Brown |
| Ben Dixon | | | |

Erie Gives Day 2022



YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO HELP A NON-PROFIT

TUESDAY, AUGUST 9, 2022 8:00AM – 8:00PM
12 HOURS OF GIVING

Day and Time: Checks will be accepted on Monday, August 8. The online event takes place on August 9. You have 12 hours to make your donation between the hours of 8:00am and 8:00pm.

Participating Nonprofits: Your organization must be a 501(c)(3), serve Erie County and either be a member of [The Nonprofit Partnership](#) or have an Agency Endowment with the Erie Community Foundation to participate in Erie Gives. **Luther Memorial Church, Luther Memorial Academy and Bethany Outreach Center appreciate your support.**

Gift Amount: The minimum gift is \$25. There is no limit to the amount of money you may give. There is no limit to the number of organizations you can donate to in a transaction.

Making a Donation: Simply log on to www.eriegives.org or call the Erie Community Foundation at 454-0843.

Credit Cards: Only Visa, MasterCard and Discover will be accepted. The credit card processor charges a nominal fee per transaction. The Erie Community Foundation does not receive any fees. (Credit card gift cards will not be accepted.)

Checks: Donors can write a check for their Erie Gives donation.

- Checks must be made out to The Erie Community Foundation;
- All check donations must be accompanied by a Check Donation Form. The Check Donation Form will be available for download beginning June 20, 2022. A Check Donation Form can be mailed to you by contacting the Foundation and requesting this;
- Checks must be delivered to The Erie Community Foundation (459 West 6th Street, Erie, PA 16507) no later than Monday, August 8, 2022.

Prorated Match: The Erie Community Foundation and our sponsors will enhance each donor's gift by providing a prorated match to each gift made to a nonprofit.

Your Receipt: You will receive an email receipt of your gift; please retain it for tax purposes. Unless you choose to remain anonymous, your donor information will be sent to the appropriate organizations.

When the Nonprofits receive your donation: Non-profits will receive their checks at the Erie Gives Check Presentation Day which will be held on Tuesday, August 30, 2022.



Erie Gives Check Contribution Form

Please make checks payable to The Erie Community Foundation and kindly deliver to the Foundation (459 West 6th Street, Erie, PA 16507) with this completed form no later than August 8, 2022

Donor Name(s): _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Check Number: _____ Contribution total: \$ _____

Please list how you wish to be identified in print: _____

Example: John & Jane Doe | John Doe | Anonymous

Does your employer match donations? Yes No Company Name: _____

Please note, the employee is responsible for completing the employer's company match paperwork.

| | Erie Gives Nonprofit Name <small>All nonprofits below must currently be listed on the Erie Gives website.</small> | Gift Amount <small>\$25 minimum</small> |
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