

*Welcome to*  
**Luther Memorial Church**  
*of the Erie Lutheran Parish*



21 AUGUST 2022  
The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

*Remember the sabbath day. Call the sabbath a delight. This is the Lord's day, and the Lord will do for us what the Lord does: feed us, forgive us, help and heal us. Rejoice at all the wonderful things God is doing.*

# LUTHER MEMORIAL CHURCH

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**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** – Variations on "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Christa Rakich, Jacques Berthier

### 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.*



**B** 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.

**B** 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  $\text{†}$  Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.  
 You are free to love as God loves.

**C** Amen.

*Based on Psalms 103 and 150, this text was written by a Calvinist who wrote some sixty hymn texts and many hymn tunes, before dying at age 30. The tune is of uncertain origin, having appeared in numerous sources including at least one secular text. It was used by J. S. Bach in several cantatas, and in an organ setting which is among the few works Bach published in his lifetime.*

**ENTRANCE HYMN**

**ELW 858**

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty



1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion!  
 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won - drous - ly reign - ing  
 3 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de - fend you;  
 4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a - dore him!



O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and sal - va - tion!  
 and, as on wings of an ea - gle, up - lift - ing, sus - tain - ing.  
 sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall dai - ly at - tend you.  
 All that has life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore him!



Let all who hear now to his tem - ple draw near,  
 Have you not seen all that is need - ful has been  
 Pon - der a - new what the Al - might - y can do  
 Let the a - men sound from his peo - ple a - gain.




join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!  
 sent by his gra - cious or - dain - ing?  
 if with his love he be - friend you.  
 Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him!

## GREETING

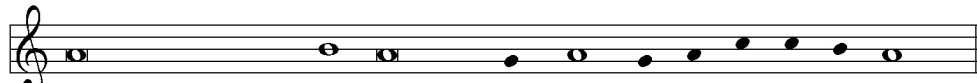
**B** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C** And also with you.


## KYRIE



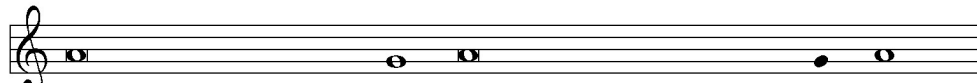
**B** In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



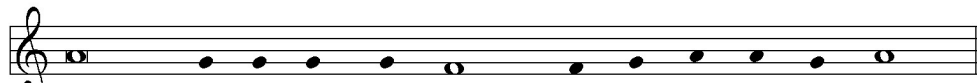
**B** For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**B** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**B** For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,



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



**B** Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord. **C** A - men

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**B** Let us pray.

**C** O God, mighty and immortal, you know that as fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, we cannot by ourselves stand upright. Give us strength of mind and body, so that even when we suffer because of human sin, we may rise victorious through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

*Please be seated.*

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

*God promises those who have returned from exile that where justice and mercy prevail, the ruins will be rebuilt and light will rise in the darkness. It is a day for new beginnings.*

**FIRST READING: Isaiah 58:9b-14**

<sup>9b</sup>If you remove the yoke from among you,  
the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,  
<sup>10</sup>if you offer your food to the hungry  
and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,  
then your light shall rise in the darkness  
and your gloom be like the noonday.  
<sup>11</sup>The LORD will guide you continually,  
and satisfy your needs in parched places,  
and make your bones strong;  
and you shall be like a watered garden,  
like a spring of water,  
whose waters never fail.  
<sup>12</sup>Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;  
you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;  
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,  
the restorer of streets to live in.  
<sup>13</sup>If you refrain from trampling the sabbath,  
from pursuing your own interests on my holy day;  
if you call the sabbath a delight  
and the holy day of the LORD honorable;  
if you honor it, not going your own ways,  
serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs;  
<sup>14</sup>then you shall take delight in the LORD,  
and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth;  
I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob,  
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

☐ The word of the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

**PSALM: Psalm 103:1-8** (*Sung once by the choir, then repeated by the congregation and sung where indicated by R.*)



The Lord crowns you with mer - cy and lov - ing - kind - ness.

<sup>1</sup>Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
and all that is within me, bless his holy name.  
<sup>2</sup>Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
and forget not all his benefits.  
<sup>3</sup>He forgives all your sins  
and heals all your infirmities;  
<sup>4</sup>he redeems your life from the grave  
and crowns you with mercy and lovingkindness;  
<sup>5</sup>he satisfies you with good things,  
and your youth is renewed like an eagle's. **R**



- <sup>6</sup>The Lord executes righteousness  
and judgement for all who are oppressed.
- <sup>7</sup>He made his ways known to Moses  
and his works to the children of Israel.
- <sup>8</sup>The Lord is full of compassion and mercy,  
slow to anger and of great kindness. **R**

*Using images of Moses, the writer presents a striking vision of the new covenant of God made possible in Christ. There is no longer fear; only awe in the new promise in Christ into which we are invited.*

**SECOND READING: Hebrews 12:18-29**

<sup>18</sup>You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, <sup>19</sup>and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. <sup>20</sup>(For they could not endure the order that was given, “If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.” <sup>21</sup>Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, “I tremble with fear.”) <sup>22</sup>But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, <sup>23</sup>and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, <sup>24</sup>and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. <sup>25</sup>See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! <sup>26</sup>At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, “Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven.” <sup>27</sup>This phrase, “Yet once more,” indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. <sup>28</sup>Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; <sup>29</sup>for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

**L** The word of the Lord.

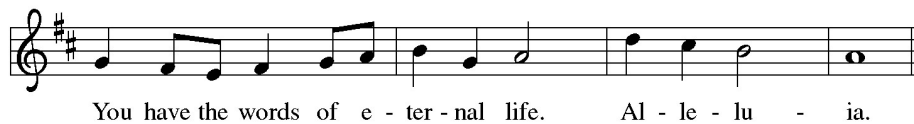
**G** Thanks be to God.

*Please stand as you are able.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

**B** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the thirteenth chapter.

**G** Glory to you, O Lord.

*Jesus heals a woman on the sabbath, offering her a new beginning for her life.  
When challenged by a narrow reading of the sabbath command, Jesus responds by expanding  
"sabbath work" to include setting people free from bondage.*

**GOSPEL: Luke 13:10-17**

<sup>10</sup>Now [Jesus] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. <sup>11</sup>And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. <sup>12</sup>When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." <sup>13</sup>When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. <sup>14</sup>But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." <sup>15</sup>But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? <sup>16</sup>And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" <sup>17</sup>When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

- B** The Gospel of the Lord.
- C** Praise to you, O Christ.

*Please be seated.*

**SERMON**

Bishop Lozano

*Please stand as you are able.*

*Text for this hymn is suggested by Psalm 118:24, "This is the day which the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it." The tune is thought to have its origin among 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> century German Roman Catholics.*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

**ELW 521**

**O Day of Rest and Gladness**



1 O day of rest and glad - ness, O day of joy and light,  
2 On you, at earth's cre - a - tion, the light first had its birth;  
3 To - day on wea - ry na - tions the heav'n-ly man-na falls;  
4 New grac-es ev - er gain - ing from this our day of rest,



O balm for care and sad - ness, most beau - ti - ful, most bright:  
on you, for our sal - va - tion, Christ rose from depths of earth;  
to ho - ly con - vo - ca - tions the sil - ver trum-pet calls,  
we reach the rest re - main - ing to spir - its of the blest.



on you the high and low - ly, through a - ges joined in tune,  
on you, our Lord vic - to - rious the Spir - it sent from heav'n;  
where gos-pel light is glow - ing with pure and ra - diant beams  
We sing to you our prais - es, O Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son;





sing, "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," to the great God tri - une.  
and thus on you, most glo - rious, a three-fold light was giv'n.  
and liv - ing wa - ter flow - ing with soul - re - fresh-ing streams.  
the church its voice up - rais - es to you, blest Three in One.

Text: Christopher Wordsworth, 1807–1885, alt.

Music: ELLACOMBE, German melody, 18th cent.; adapt. X. L. Hartig, *Melodien zum Mainzer Gesangbuche*, 1833

## 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** You crown your church with steadfast love and mercy. Guide us continually in our baptismal covenant to strive for justice and peace in all the earth. Use our diverse gifts in service to the whole people of God. Merciful God,

**C** receive our prayer.

**A** You satisfy the needs of all creatures. Protect the habitats of fish and birds and Presque Isle State Park. Repair ecosystems damaged by misuse, neglect, or natural disaster, that all creation may thrive. Merciful God,

**C** receive our prayer.

**A** You make your ways known to all people. Inspire the rulers and leaders of nations with your compassion and mercy. Raise up activists and community organizers to restore places affected by violence, poverty, and inequality. Merciful God,

**C** receive our prayer.

**A** You provide justice for all who are oppressed and relief to all who are afflicted. Heal those who are bent over by addiction, depression, and anxiety. Set free all who cry out under the weight of mental, emotional, or physical distress. Merciful God,

**C** receive our prayer.





**A** You call us to delight in the sabbath. Renew our bodies, minds, and spirits in this worshiping assembly. Give rest to all who lead our congregation in worship, study, and service, especially Pastor Lundwall, Pastor Moran, Michael Snider, our Church Council and Call Committee. Give continued strength and healing to Bishop Lozano and your wisdom in his ministry. 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. Merciful God,

**C** receive our prayer.

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

**A** Generations bless your holy name. We give you thanks for the communion of saints, especially Nancy Shaner and Dorothy Respecki, who have gathered in prayer and praise in this place. Support us in your love until we rest forever in you. Merciful God,

**C** receive our prayer.

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

**C** Amen.

**B** 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 – "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"**

Hugo Distler

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy Health and Salvation!  
Join the full throng; Wake, harp and psalter and song;  
Awake! Awake! Sound forth in glad adoration!*

*Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth.  
Who, as on wings of an eagle uplifteth, sustaineth.  
Hast thou not seen, how thy desires all have been,  
Granted in what He ordaineth?*

*Please stand as you are able.*

**OFFERTORY**

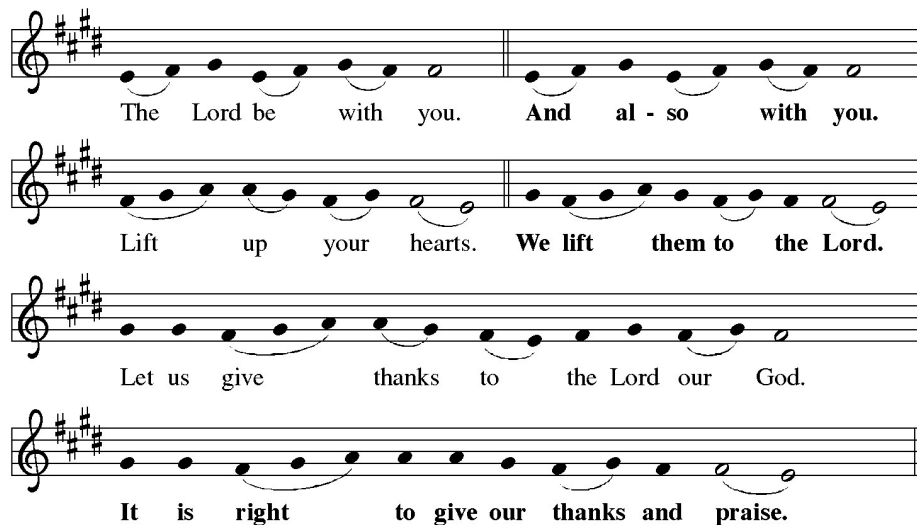
**ELW 884**

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.

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

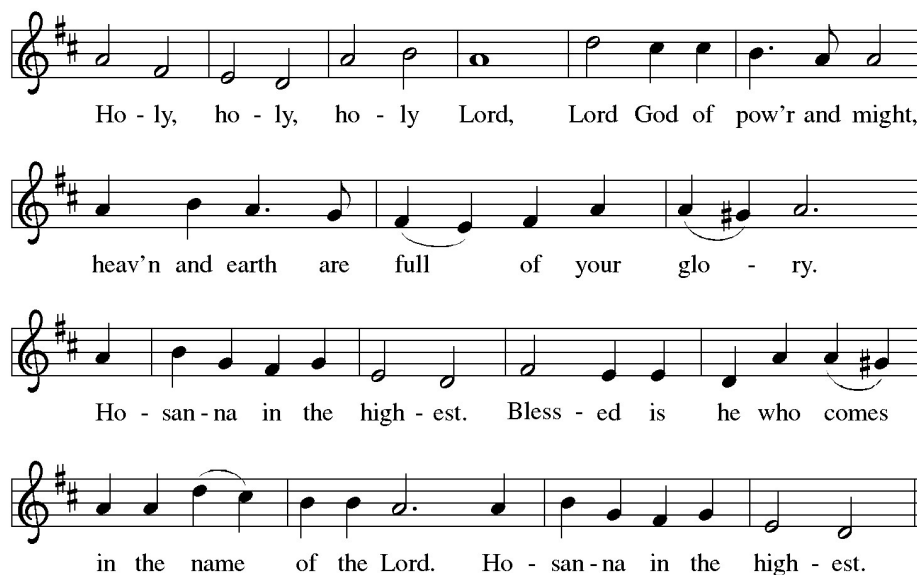
- A** God of abundance:  
you have set before us a plentiful harvest.  
As we feast on your goodness,  
strengthen us to labor in your field,  
and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all,  
in the name of Jesus.
- C** Amen.

## GREAT THANKSGIVING *Matthew 21:9*



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.

- B** 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

☒ 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.

☒ Amen.

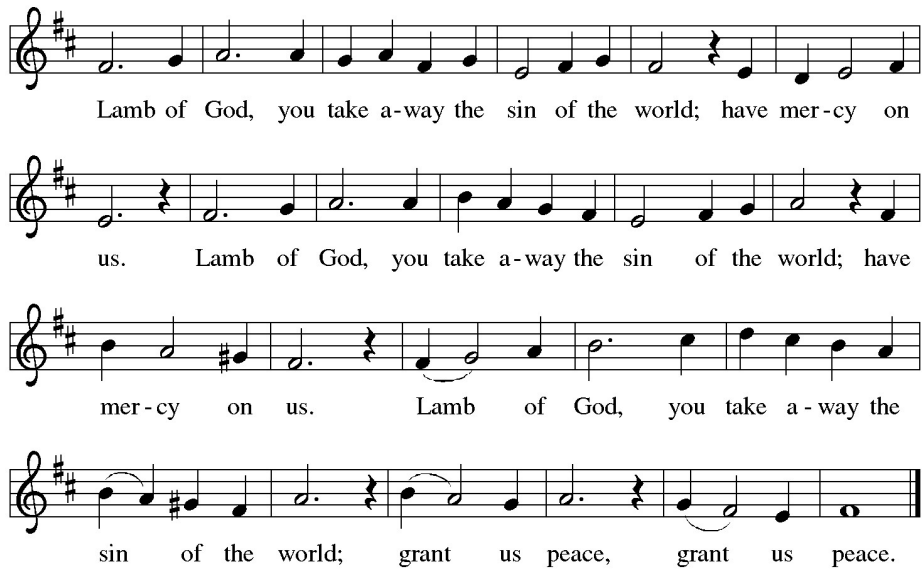
☒ Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

☒ **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

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

**C** Amen.

**B** 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.*

*Born in Liverpool, England, Rev. F. Pratt Green is one of the best-known of the contemporary school of hymn-writers in the British Isles. Ordained in the British Methodist ministry, he has been pastor and district superintendent and also served in Norwich.*

## HYMN FOR THE DISTRIBUTION

### God Is Here!

ELW 526



1 God is here! As we your peo - ple meet to of - fer  
2 Here are sym - bols to re - mind us of our life - long  
3 Here our chil - dren find a wel - come in the Shep - herd's  
4 Lord of all, of church and king - dom, in an age of



praise and prayer, may we find in full - er mea - sure  
need of grace; here are ta - ble, font, and pul - pit;  
flock and fold; here as bread and wine are tak - en,  
change and doubt, keep us faith - ful to the gos - pel;



what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the  
here the cross has cen - tral place. Here in hon - es -  
Christ sus - tains us as of old. Here the ser - vants  
help us work your pur - pose out. Here, in this day's



world a - round us, all our var - ied skills and arts  
ty of preach - ing, here in si - lence, as in speech,  
of the Ser - vant seek in wor - ship to ex - plore  
ded - i - ca - tion, all we have to give, re - ceive;



wait the com - ing of the Spir - it in - to o - pen minds and hearts.  
here, in new - ness and re - new - al, God the Spir - it comes to each.  
what it means in dai - ly liv - ing to be - lieve and to a - dore.  
we, who can - not live with - out you, we a - dore you! We be - lieve!

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*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

**A** 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.

**C** Amen.

*SENDING – “God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.”*

## BLESSING

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

**C** Amen!

*It seems odd now to think of singing this text to the tune of O Come, All Ye Faithful, but mainline churches did so well into the 20<sup>th</sup> century because of cultural bias against the shape-note music in which the original tune was written. The vigor of the original tune seems especially right for the final line’s reference to Hebrews 13:5.*

## SENDING HYMN

### How Firm a Foundation

ELW 796



1 How firm a foun - da - tion, O saints of the Lord,  
2 "Fear not, I am with you, oh, be not dis - mayed,  
is laid for your faith in Christ Je - sus, the Word!  
for I am your God and will still give you aid;  
What more can he say than to you he has said  
I'll strength - en you, help you, and cause you to stand,  
who un - to the Sav - ior for ref - uge have fled?  
up - held by my righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand."

Text: J. Rippon, *A Selection of Hymns*, 1787, alt.  
Music: FOUNDATION, Early American

## DISMISSAL INTO THE WORLD FOR SERVICE

**A** Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

**G** Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE** – "How Firm a Foundation"  
"O Day of Rest and Gladness"

arr. Jeffrey Blersch  
arr. Michael Burkhardt

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### — SERVING TODAY —

*PREACHING* – Bishop Michael Lozano

*GREETERS* – Sally & Phil McAfee

*ACOLYTE* – Jessica Copfer

*ASSISTING MINISTER* – Stan Rose

*LECTOR* – Linda Melaragno

*USHERS* – Elaine Kern, Sally & Phil McAfee

*ALTAR GUILD* – Sharon Burke



**Altar flowers** are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Nancy E. Shaner by her daughter, Sally McAfee.

**Our love and sympathy** is with the family and friends of Dorothy Respecki who died Thursday, August 11. Pastor Moran officiated at her service on Wednesday, August 17.

### Welcome to our Visitors!

**Welcome** to Bishop Michael Lozano who will preside and preach at our services this morning. All are invited to join us following each service in the parlor for a time of fellowship and refreshments.

**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

**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.

**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.

### Music Ministry

**The Luther Memorial Choirs** (*handbell & vocal*) will resume rehearsals on Thursday, August 25 at 6:00pm and 7:00pm respectively. We continue to wear masks when we are gathered together for rehearsal and worship. Both rehearsals are held on the air-conditioned 5th floor. Handbells require a commitment of at least through Christmas as each ringer is assigned a part and continuity is important. However, if you read music and would like to fill in on short notice, we are often in need of substitutes. The vocal choir can accommodate those who would prefer a shorter time commitment. If your schedule changes throughout the seasons, consider singing with us for 6-8 weeks during the seasons of Autumn, Advent & Christmas, Lent or Easter. Please contact Cantor Walt Gaber ([WaltGaber@gmail.com](mailto:WaltGaber@gmail.com) or 814.602.2755) for more information and to express your interest in participating.

### 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 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.

**Kid Bingo with the Family** will kick off the autumn season on Sunday, September 11. Join us in fellowship hall from 12:00 – 1:30pm for Bingo and some fun prizes.

### 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

<b>MONDAY, AUGUST 22</b>	5:30pm 6:00pm	PTL Officers Meeting LMA Legos
<b>TUESDAY, AUGUST 23</b>	10:00am 6:00pm	Magic Fingers Grace Group Council Meeting
<b>WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24</b>		
<b>THURSDAY, AUGUST 25</b>	6:00pm 6:00pm 7:00pm	Handbell Rehearsal LMA Legos Choir Rehearsal
<b>FRIDAY, AUGUST 26</b>	9:00am	Teacher's Meeting
<b>SATURDAY, AUGUST 27</b>	12:30pm	Church Women United Meeting

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 28, 2022 THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**Pastor Brian Moran** will preach at the 10:30am worship service held at Presque Isle, Runner's Club at Beach 1. The 8:15am service will not be held.

**Please join us** following the 10:30 service for a picnic lunch and games. All are asked to bring a dish to share, lawn chair and/or blanket.

<b>SUNDAY, AUGUST 28, 2022</b>		
<b>ASSISTING IN WORSHIP</b>		
Assisting Minister	10:30am	Jan MacInnes
Altar Guild	10:30am	Jane Moran

### — BULLETIN PRAYER LIST —

<b>PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:</b>			
<b>Our Members:</b>			
Arden Fetcko	Mark Howell	Kathy & Ken Kraut	Jan MacInnes
C. Noelle Partusch	Dave Parsh	Wendy Kern	Mark Howell
Elizabeth & Scott Cowan	Pat Bellingham	Chickie Braine	Bill Grande
Martha Stickner			
<b>Friends and Family:</b>			
Amy Daugherty	Bob R.	Amy Valentine	Linda F.
Eli Martinez Montero	Allison & Erik	Carol Suesser	Amy Clark
Eddie Jackman	Melissa Geiser	Judy Skoog	Amy & Nate
Meghan Kessler	Bonnie Ford	Sophia	Marie Checkley
Jessica & Damian Ream	Sidney	Bob Guenther	Tammy Fuller
Tom McGrail	Robbie Grainger		
<b>Grief:</b>			
Rosanna Strausbaugh family	Don Tatar family	Dot Respecki family	
<b>Our Military Service Men &amp; Women:</b>			
Lt. Col. Matt Anderson	Michael Stickner	Andrew Watson	Alli Brown
Ben Dixon			