

Welcome to
Luther Memorial Church
of the Erie Lutheran Parish



26 JULY 2022
The Third Sunday after Pentecost

We have no good apart from God. That makes Jesus' call to follow him an invitation to freedom. This is freedom to revel in the Spirit's fruit: love, joy, peace, and patience. This is freedom to not be imprisoned by anything that would keep us from the fullness of the life God has given us. This is the path of life.

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 – “Toccata & Two Offertories”

Gasparo Sborgi (1737 - 1819)

Toccata in B-Flat Major

Offertorio in F Major

Offertorio in B-Flat Major

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.



L 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.

L 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.

The first four stanzas of this ballad-like hymn are understood to be in the voice of Christ, with the fifth reflecting the individual singer's response. Created for this traditional Scottish tune, the text was written to mark the conclusion of a youth volunteer's time of ministry.

ENTRANCE HYMN

ELW 798

Will You Come and Follow Me
The Summons

1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
 2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call
 4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call
 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call

your name? Will you go where you don't
 your name? Will you care for cruel and
 your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners
 your name? Will you quell the fear in -
 my name. Let me turn and fol - low

know and nev - er be the same?
 kind and nev - er be the same?
 free and nev - er be the same?
 side and nev - er be the same?
 you and nev - er be the same.

Will you let my love be shown, will you let my
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be
 tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer
 this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I
 world a - round, through my sight and touch and
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and

grown in you and you in me?"
 pray'r in you and you in me?"
 mean in you and you in me?"
 sound in you and you in me?"
 grow in you and you in me.

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 Music: KELVINGROVE, Scottish traditional
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GREETING

- L** 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 mer - cy.

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

C Lord, have mer - cy.

A 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.



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,
 let us pray to the Lord. G Lord, have mer - cy.
 A Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord. G A - men

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- L Let us pray.
- G **Sovereign God, ruler of all hearts, you call us to obey you, and you favor us with true freedom. Keep us faithful to the ways of your Son, that, leaving behind all that hinders us, we may steadfastly follow your paths, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Please be seated.

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

In the story preceding today’s reading, the prophet Elijah flees for his life to the security of God’s mountain. There God reveals to Elijah that there are still other faithful people in Israel and commissions him to anoint new leaders, including his own successor, Elisha.

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21

¹⁵Then the LORD said to [Elijah,] “Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. ¹⁶Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place.

¹⁹So he set out from there, and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was plowing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over him. ²⁰He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, “Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you.” Then Elijah said to him, “Go back again; for what have I done to you?” ²¹He returned from following him, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out and followed Elijah, and became his servant.

- L The word of the Lord.
- G **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 16 (spoken responsively)

¹Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;
 I have said to the LORD, “You are my Lord, my good above all other.”

²**All my delight is in the godly that are in the land,
 upon those who are noble among the people.**

³But those who run after other gods
 shall have their troubles multiplied.

⁴**I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods,
 never take their names upon my lips.**



⁵O LORD, you are my portion and my cup;
it is you who uphold my lot.

⁶**My boundaries enclose a pleasant land;
indeed, I have a rich inheritance.**

⁷I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel;
my heart teaches me night after night.

⁸**I have set the LORD always before me;
because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.**

⁹My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices;
my body also shall rest in hope.

¹⁰**For you will not abandon me to the grave,
nor let your holy one see the pit.**

¹¹You will show me the path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

*For Paul, the freedom Christ gives is not permission to do whatever we want.
It is the invitation to be what we could not be otherwise. The power and guidance
of Christ's Holy Spirit produce a different kind of life, one marked by the fruit of this Holy Spirit.*

SECOND READING: Galatians 5:1, 13-25

¹For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

¹³For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. ¹⁴For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁵If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

¹⁶Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. ¹⁸But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. ¹⁹Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, ²⁰idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, ²¹envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

²²By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, ²³gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. ²⁴And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

L The word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



℣ The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the ninth chapter.

☩ **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Jesus is unwavering in his commitment to his mission in Jerusalem and will not be swayed by pettiness.
In a series of striking cases in point, he calls his disciples to a similar single-mindedness.*

GOSPEL: Luke 9:51-62

⁵¹When the days drew near for [Jesus] to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. ⁵²And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; ⁵³but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. ⁵⁴When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, “Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?” ⁵⁵But he turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶Then they went on to another village.

⁵⁷As they were going along the road, someone said to him, “I will follow you wherever you go.” ⁵⁸And Jesus said to him, “Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.”

⁵⁹To another he said, “Follow me.” But he said, “Lord, first let me go and bury my father.” ⁶⁰But Jesus said to him, “Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.” ⁶¹Another said, “I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home.” ⁶²Jesus said to him, “No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.”

℣ The Gospel of the Lord.

☩ **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

SERMON

Michael Snider

Please stand as you are able.

Author of this hymn text is a Chicagoan who was ordained after service in the Navy Medical Corps during World War II, and following further study in Medicine. He wrote poetry all his life, but not being musical he found the appearance of his lyrics in various hymnals mystifying, but gratifying. The tune is not clearly attributed but is an excellent match for the present text.5

HYMN OF THE DAY

ELW 584

The Son of God, Our Christ




1 The Son of God, our Christ, the Word, the Way,
2 In ev - 'ry test, in tri - als man - i - fold,
3 To - day, as then, Christ sum - mons us to dare
4 In cit - y street, in town, or on the soil,
5 Wher - e'er we find our wit - ness should be made,



shared hu - man life and toiled through - out the day;
these ser - vants wit - nessed, by their faith made bold;
to fol - low bold - ly and his work to share,
may each serve Christ in faith - ful dai - ly toil,
what - e'er our task, be thou, O Christ, our aid,





from com - mon folk he called the twelve to be
and with the gifts and tal - ents which they brought
to help and heal the sick, the blind, the lame,
and in each thought and kind - ly word and deed,
that we may glad - ly give for thee our best

co - work - ers in his sa - cred min - is - try.
the church was found - ed and God's mes - sage taught.
de - clar - ing to the world his ho - ly name.
o - bey Christ's call and go where he shall lead.
and find each task di - vine - ly sent and blest.

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Please be seated.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

- P** God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.
- R** I present Kennedy Elise for baptism.
- P** Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have your child baptized into Christ?
- R** We do.
- P** As you bring Kennedy to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities:
to live with her among God's faithful people,
bring her to the word of God and the holy supper,
teach her the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments,
place in her hands the holy scriptures,
and nurture her in faith and prayer,
so that Kennedy may learn to trust God,
proclaim Christ through word and deed,
care for others and the world God made,
and work for justice and peace.
- P** Do you promise to help Kennedy grow in the Christian faith and life?
- R** I do.
- P** Sponsors, do you promise to nurture Kennedy in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help them live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?
- R** I do.
- P** People of God, do you promise to support Kennedy and pray for her in her new life in Christ?
- C** We do.

Please stand as you are able.



PROFESSION OF FAITH

P I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.
Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

C **I renounce them.**

P Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

C **I renounce them.**

P Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

C **I renounce them.**

P Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God,
the powers of this world that rebel against God,
and the ways of sin that draw you from God?

C **I renounce them.**

P Do you believe in God the Father?

C **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

C **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.**

P Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C **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.**

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you. ►

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C Amen.

Please be seated.

P Kennedy Elise, I baptize you in the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life.

Sustain Kennedy with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

C Amen.

P Kennedy, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

C Amen.

WELCOME

A Let your light so shine before others
that they may see your good works
and glorify your Father in heaven.

A Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**C We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share:
join us in giving thanks and praise to God
and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

Please stand as you are able.

THE PRAYERS *1 Timothy 2:1*

A United in Christ and guided by the Spirit, we pray for the church, the creation, and all in need.

A brief silence.

A God of faithfulness, set the face of your church firmly on you. Rooted in your self-giving love, may the church find freedom in loving our neighbors. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

A God of gentleness, strengthen the earth's ability to heal. Where there are dangerous storms, bring calm. Where there are destructive fires, bring rain. Protect homes, habitats, and livelihoods threatened by climate disasters. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

A God of peace, guide all who govern, that they place the good of their citizens above self-promotion. Anoint leaders of nations with your Spirit of neighborly love. Protect refugees and all who live under tyranny or conflict. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.



A God of kindness, reveal your healing presence to all who are sick or dying. Uphold those who grieve. Support the needs of any who are unemployed, hungry, or have nowhere to lay their heads. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

A God of love, attend to those struggling with addiction, depression, or uncontrolled anger. Provide support systems and loving companions as they work toward health, that they may rest in hope and know the fullness of joy in your presence. God of grace,

C hear 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 God of joy, we give thanks for all who have died, especially those of the Shaner, Hirt and McAfee families, and now celebrate the inheritance of life in you. Keep their examples of faithfulness always before us, that we trust your promises in life and in death. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

P God of every time and place, in Jesus' name and filled with your Holy Spirit, we entrust these spoken prayers and those in our hearts into your holy keeping.

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.”

VOLUNTARY – "Elevazione in B-Flat Major"

Gaspero Sborgi

Please stand as you are able.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

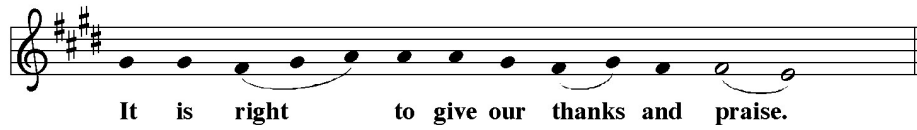
A God of abundance:
you have set before us a plentiful harvest.
As we feast on your goodness,
strengthen us to labor in your field,
and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all,
in the name of Jesus.

C Amen.

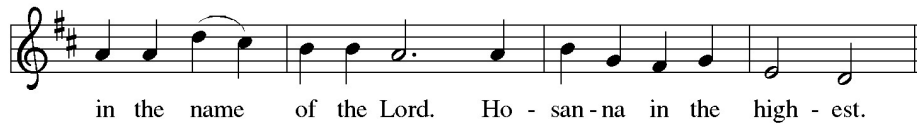
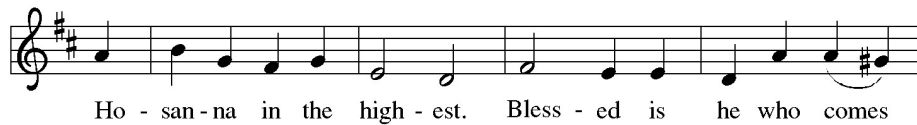
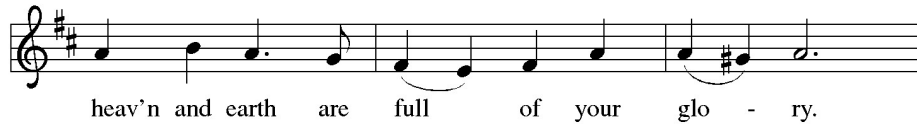
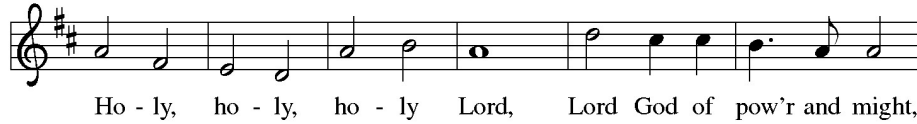
GREAT THANKSGIVING *Matthew 21:9*

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 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:



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy, living, and loving God,
we praise you for creating the heavens and the earth.

We bless you for bringing Noah and his family through the waters of the flood,
for freeing your people Israel from the bonds of slavery,
and for sending your Son as our Redeemer.

We give you thanks for Jesus
who, living among us, healed the sick,
fed the hungry, and with a love stronger than death,
gave his life for others.

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 life-giving death and glorious resurrection,
we await your promised life for all this dying world.

Breathe your Spirit on us and on this bread and cup:
carry us in your arms from death into life,
that we may live as your chosen ones,
clothed in the righteousness of Christ.

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

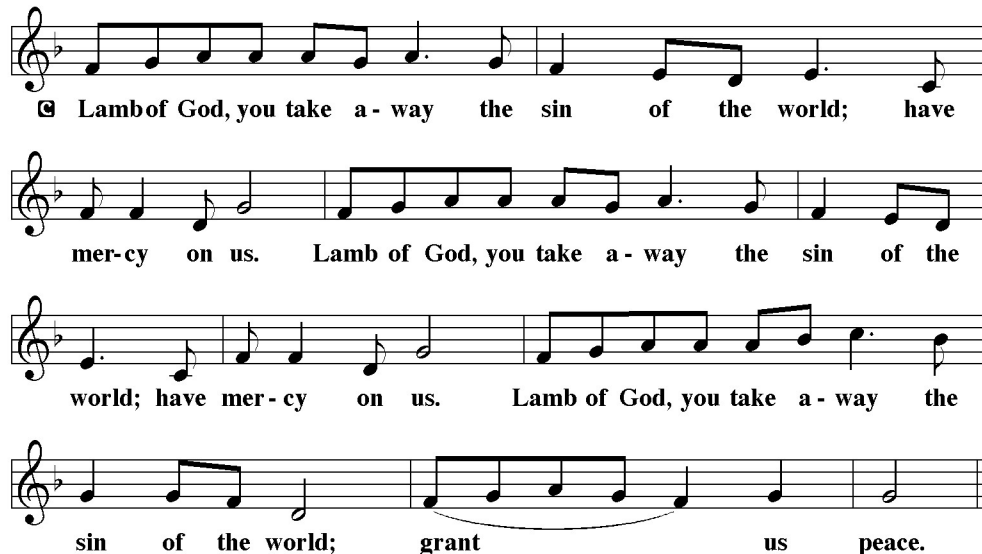
C Amen.

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

**C 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



C 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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

C Amen.

P 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.

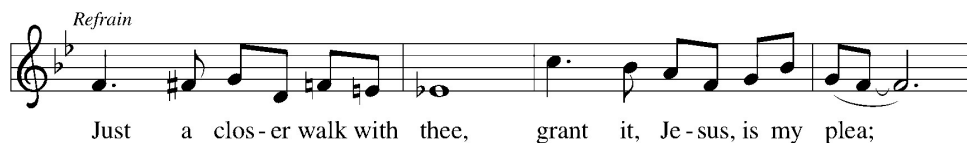
If you are not going to receive Holy Communion, but would like to receive a blessing, please come forward with your arms crossed over your chest.

The chromatic musical style of this anonymous short hymn suggests that it probably dates from the early 20th century. It also seems to owe much of its popularity to radio broadcasts and recordings as well as to evangelistic meetings and singing conventions of that era.

HYMN FOR THE DISTRIBUTION

ELW 697

Just a Closer Walk with Thee



- 1 I am weak but thou art strong: Je - sus, keep me from all wrong;
- 2 Through this world of toil and snares, if I fal-ter, Lord, who cares?
- 3 When my fee-ble life is o'er, time for me will be no more;



I'll be sat - is - fied as long as I walk, let me walk close to thee.
Who with me my bur - den shares? None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee.
guide me gent - ly, safe - ly o'er to thy king - dom shore, to thy shore.

VOLUNTARY – "Just a Closer Walk with Thee"

Otto 'Skip' Meyn, clarinet

Please stand as you are able.

BLESSING

- P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
C 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

- P** 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!

*Written for the confirmation of the author’s daughter and two sons, this text echoes Luke 9:57.
The tune originated in the 17th century, with its present form taken from Felix Mendelssohn’s Elijah.*

SENDING HYMN

ELW 810

O Jesus, I Have Promised

1 O Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;
4 O Je - sus, you have prom - ised to all who fol - low you
re - main for - ev - er near me, my mas - ter and my friend.
that where you are in glo - ry your ser - vant shall be too.
I shall not fear the bat - tle if you are by my side,
And Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;





nor wan - der from the path - way if you will be my guide.
oh, give me grace to fol - low, my mas - ter and my friend.

Text: John E. Bode, 1816–1874, alt.
Music: MUNICH, *Neuermehrtes Gesangbuch*, Meiningen, 1693

DISMISSAL INTO THE WORLD FOR SERVICE

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

POSTLUDE – "Offertory in C Major"

Gaspero Sborgi

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— SERVING TODAY —

PRESIDING – Pastor Brian Moran

PREACHING – Michael Snider

GREETERS – Natalie Montero, Stan Rose

ACOLYTE – Jessica Copfer

ASSISTING MINISTER – C. Noelle Partusch

LECTOR – Pat Gilbert

ALTAR GUILD – Jessica Copfer, Mary Daniels



Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory and in honor of the Shaner, Hirt and McAfee families by Sally and Phil McAfee.

Kennedy Elise Durán will be welcomed into the fellowship of Luther Memorial through the sacrament of Holy Baptism during 10:30 service this morning. Born November 30, 2021, Kennedy is the daughter of Angie and Andres Durán and sister of Caiden Snider, Adam and Evan Durán.

Our love and sympathy is with the family and friends of Bob Weisman who died Monday, June 13, 2022. Please keep his wife, Kathy, in your prayers.

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, July 10. Bring your family and friends and enjoy a summer picnic, games and laughter from 4:00-5:00pm. Lift your voices in song and worship with us from 5:00-6:00pm.

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.

Christian Education

Vacation Bible School for the whole family will be held Monday, June 27 – Thursday, June 30 from 6:00-7:30pm at Luther Memorial. At Cave Quest we will learn that Jesus is the one who lights our way and gives us hope for each new day. Discover what it means to hold God's mighty power in everyday life and join us for a great VBS. Weather permitting we will gather in the green space near 10th Street. In case of rain we will meet in fellowship hall. Registration forms are available at the welcome tables and in the church office.

Opportunities for Fellowship

Kenneth Snider Memorial Car Cruise is Sunday, July 17 from 1:00-4:00pm. Feast your eyes on all makes, models and years of cars. A perfect family afternoon with something everyone will enjoy; Chinese auction baskets, entertainment of Magic Steve, Music by DJ Bill Mason, Food by Cluck Truck, Bake sale and 50-50 raffle. C'mon down and have some fun!

Magic Fingers Grace Group meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 10:00-11:30am. Celebrate summer, enjoy your mornings, knit, crochet and laugh with us on June 28. 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.

Support for Ukraine

To offer support to people in Ukraine donations may be made to the following organizations:

- Lutheran Disaster Response at www.ldr.org or call 800-638-3522
- Lutheran World Relief at www.lwr.org
- Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service at www.lirs.org

If you would prefer to place your donation in the offering this morning, please mark it Ukraine and we will send all donations to Lutheran Disaster Response. Thank you.

Outreach Opportunity

Bethany Outreach Center could use some extra help on Wednesdays. We are in-process of creating a team of 3-9 volunteers to handle the jobs described below. Then we will create a schedule for which team members will serve each week, based upon their availability.

The 3 weekly jobs for which we need volunteers are described below:

1. Food Pickup, Delivery, and Food Distribution Setup (7:45-9:30am)
2. Clothes Closet and Food Pantry Setup (8:00-9:30am)
3. Clothes Closet and Food Pantry Takedown (10:30-11:30am)

Notes: Each of these volunteers need to be able to handle steps and lifting while carrying items such as tables, boxes or bags of food, and bins of clothes. For Job #1 your vehicle must be able to hold 2-3 medium size bins, such as a SUV or car with a large trunk.

If you are interested, please contact Eric Hedlund via email at eric@bethanyoutreachcenter.org or by phone at 814-722-7732. He will provide you with a detailed description of each of the jobs and if you wish to be on the team, he will take your information and put you in the schedule for the job and date(s) you wish. As dates are filled in Eric will distribute the updated schedule to all team members via email.

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, JUNE 27	6:00pm	Family Vacation Bible School
TUESDAY, JUNE 28	10:00am 3:30pm 6:00pm	Magic Fingers Grace Group Prayer Group Family Vacation Bible School
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29	6:00pm	Family Vacation Bible School
THURSDAY, JUNE 30	6:00pm 6:00pm	Family Vacation Bible School Handbell Rehearsal
FRIDAY, JULY 1		
SATURDAY, JULY 2	4:00pm	Tetuan/Grill Wedding Rehearsal

SUNDAY, JULY 3, 2022 THE FOURTH 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".

Wedding ceremony of Kevin Tetuan and Julieann Grill at 5:00pm.

SUNDAY, JULY 3, 2022		
ASSISTING IN WORSHIP		
Assisting Ministers	8:15am	Roberta Lobaugh
	10:30am	Dave Griswold
Altar Guild	8:15am	Nancy Benacci
	10:30am	Loretta Deeds

— BULLETIN PRAYER LIST —

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:			
Our Members:			
Arden Fetcko	Don Tatar	Kathy & Ken Kraut	Jan MacInnes
Bill Grande	Dave Parsh	Wendy Kern	Pat Bellingham
Elizabeth & Scott Cowan			
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
Our Military Service Men & Women:			
Lt. Col. Matt Anderson	Michael Stickner	Andrew Watson	Alli Brown
Ben Dixon			