

Welcome to
Luther Memorial Church
of the Erie Lutheran Parish



17 OCTOBER 2021
The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

Today's gospel starts with disciples obsessing over who will be closest to Jesus, leading to Jesus teaching his followers about God's take on importance and power. Here Jesus makes it explicit that the reversal of values in God's community is a direct challenge to the values of the dominant culture, where wielding power over others is what makes you great. When we pray "your kingdom come" we are praying for an end to tyranny and oppression. We pray this gathered around the cross, a sign of great shame transformed to be the sign of great honor and service.

LUTHER MEMORIAL CHURCH

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THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Holy Communion • ELW – Setting Four • 8:15 & 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 – “Three Hymns of Faith”

arr. Robert Buckley Farlee

1. *Just as I Am, Without One Plea*
2. *Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me*
3. *There is a Balm in Gilead*
(Bob Banks, soprano saxophone)

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

TEMPLE TALK

Les Fobes

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand as you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

☞ Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
whose teaching is life,
whose presence is sure,
and whose love is endless.

☞ **Amen.**

☞ Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.



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GREETING *2 Corinthians 13:14*

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 *Luke 17:13*

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the peace from above,
and for our salvation,
let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P 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.

P For this holy house,
and for all who offer here their worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY *Ruth 2:4*

P Let us pray,

C Sovereign God, you turn your greatness into goodness for all the peoples on earth. Shape us into willing servants of your kingdom, and make us desire always and only your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated.

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

This reading is from the last of four passages in Isaiah that are often called “servant songs.” Christians are probably most familiar with this servant song. In light of Christian faith, the servant’s healing ministry and redemptive suffering are understood to be fulfilled in the life and death of Christ.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 53:4-12

⁴Surely he has borne our infirmities
and carried our diseases;
yet we accounted him stricken,
struck down by God, and afflicted.

⁵But he was wounded for our transgressions,
crushed for our iniquities;
upon him was the punishment that made us whole,
and by his bruises we are healed.



⁶All we like sheep have gone astray;
we have all turned to our own way,
and the LORD has laid on him
the iniquity of us all.

⁷He was oppressed, and he was afflicted,
yet he did not open his mouth;
like a lamb that is led to the slaughter,
and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent,
so he did not open his mouth.

⁸By a perversion of justice he was taken away.
Who could have imagined his future?
For he was cut off from the land of the living,
stricken for the transgression of my people.

⁹They made his grave with the wicked
and his tomb with the rich,
although he had done no violence,
and there was no deceit in his mouth.

¹⁰Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him with pain.
When you make his life an offering for sin,
he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days;
through him the will of the LORD shall prosper.

¹¹Out of his anguish he shall see light;
he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge.
The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous,
and he shall bear their iniquities.

¹²Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great,
and he shall divide the spoil with the strong;
because he poured out himself to death,
and was numbered with the transgressors;
yet he bore the sin of many,
and made intercession for the transgressors.

📖 The word of the Lord.

🙏 Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 91:9-16 (*Spoken responsively by whole verse.*)

⁹Because you have made the LORD your refuge,
and the Most High your habitation,
¹⁰**no evil will befall you,
nor shall affliction come near your dwelling.**

¹¹For God will give the angels charge over you,
to guard you in all your ways.

¹²**Upon their hands they will bear you up,
lest you strike your foot against a stone.**

¹³You will tread upon the lion cub and viper;
you will trample down the lion and the serpent.

¹⁴**I will deliver those who cling to me;
I will uphold them, because they know my name.**



¹⁵They will call me, and I will answer them;
I will be with them in trouble; I will rescue and honor them.
¹⁶**With long life will I satisfy them,
and show them my salvation.**

*Using imagery from scripture and from Jewish worship practices, Jesus is presented as
the great high priest who was obedient to God's saving plan.
Through his suffering and death he has become the source of eternal salvation.*

SECOND READING: Hebrews 5:1-10

¹Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. ²He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; ³and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. ⁴And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

⁵So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

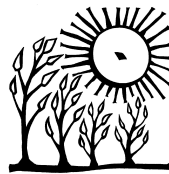
“You are my Son,
today I have begotten you”;
⁶as he says also in another place,
“You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchizedek.”

⁷In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. ⁸Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; ⁹and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, ¹⁰having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

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. Mark, the tenth chapter.

☑ **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*On the way to Jerusalem the disciples ask Jesus to grant them seats of honor.
Jesus responds by announcing that he and his followers will “rule” through self-giving service.*

GOSPEL: Mark 10:35-45

³⁵James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” ³⁶And he said to them, “What is it you want me to do for you?” ³⁷And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.” ³⁸But Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?” ³⁹They replied, “We are able.” Then Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; ⁴⁰but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.”

⁴¹When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. ⁴²So Jesus called them and said to them, “You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. ⁴³But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.”

☐ The Gospel of the Lord

☑ **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

SERMON

Pastor Moran

Please stand as you are able.

English cleric and author Albert F. Bayly wrote this hymn text in response to a Hymn Society of America search for new hymns on social welfare. They published the text in 1961. With mention of timeless social needs easily seen in our lives the hymn text encourages us to move from Sunday worship to weekly service. The 19th century tune, published in The Sacred Harp, is attributed to B. F. White, a singing-school teacher, composer, and tune book compiler in the American South.

HYMN OF THE DAY

ELW 712

Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service



1 Lord, whose love in hum-ble ser-vice bore the weight of hu-man need,
2 Still your chil-dren wan-der home-less; still the hun-gry cry for bread;
3 As we wor-ship, grant us vi-sion, till your love's re-veal-ing light
4 Called by wor-ship to your ser-vice, forth in your dear name we go,



who up-on the cross, for-sak-en, worked your mer-cy's per-fect deed:
still the cap-tives long for free-dom; still in grief we mourn our dead.
in its height and depth and great-ness dawns up-on our quick-en'd sight,
to the child, the youth, the a-ged, love in liv-ing deeds to show;





we, your ser - vants, bring the wor - ship not of voice a - lone, but heart;
As you, Lord, in deep com - pas - sion healed the sick and freed the soul,
mak - ing known the needs and bur - dens your com - pas - sion bids us bear,
hope and health, good - will and com - fort, coun - sel, aid, and peace we give,



con - se - crat - ing to your pur - pose ev - 'ry gift which you im - part.
by your Spir - it send your pow - er to our world to make it whole.
stir - ring us to ar - dent ser - vice, your a - bun - dant life to share.
that your ser - vants, Lord, in free - dom may your mer - cy know and live.

Text: Albert F. Bayly, 1901–1984
Music: BEACH SPRING, *The Sacred Harp*, Philadelphia, 1844
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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** Set free from sin and death and nourished by the word of truth, we join in prayer for all of God's creation.
A brief silence.
- A** Holy One, for the gift of the church handed down through the ages and for all who carry on the servant ministry of Jesus, we praise you. Send your Holy Spirit upon all who are discerning calls to ministry in its many forms and equip them with your gifts. Hear us, O God.
- C** **Your mercy is great.**
- A** Creating One, for the lush and abundant habitat you provide for all your creatures, we praise you. Provide healing for the earth so that waterfowl, reptiles, wild horses, dolphins, and all living things flourish as you intend. Hear us, O God.
- C** **Your mercy is great.**
- A** Suffering One, for all who work toward peace and who lead nations with a servant's heart, we praise you. Bring justice for all who suffer violence, persecution, discrimination, hunger, poverty, and homelessness, and create places of refuge for all people. Hear us, O God.
- C** **Your mercy is great.**



A Merciful One, for all who do the work of healing in mind, body, and spirit, we praise you, especially those who part of our Care Ministry at Luther Memorial Church. Surround and comfort all who struggle with depression, anxiety, cancer, diabetes, dementia, or any illness that all may be healed. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Sustaining One, for all who volunteer for the vitality of this congregation, we praise you. Strengthen and encourage greeters, ushers, office volunteers, bakers, counters, committee and group leaders, teachers, students, evangelists, singers, builders, nurturers, and all who serve with generous hearts. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

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

C Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

A Risen One, we thank you for those who have shaped your church and shared your gospel. Through the witness of your saints, especially Fred Bohn, Becky and Sam Hood, Mary and Erich Bohn, and Jean Fulton, continue to inspire us with hope until we all are gathered at your eternal feast. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

P Confident that you hear us, O God, we boldly place our prayers into your hands; through Jesus Christ, our truth and life.

C Amen.

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you. *Romans 16:16*

Please be seated.

VOLUNTARY – "Gabriel's Oboe Theme"

Ennio Morricone, arr. Frédéric Quinet

(Bob Banks, soprano saxophone)

MEAL – "God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ."

Please stand as you are able.

OFFERING PRAYER

A God of abundance,
you cause streams to break forth in the desert
and manna to rain from the heavens.
Accept the gifts you have first given us.
Unite them with the offering of our lives
to nourish the world you love so dearly;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING *Matthew 21:9*

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

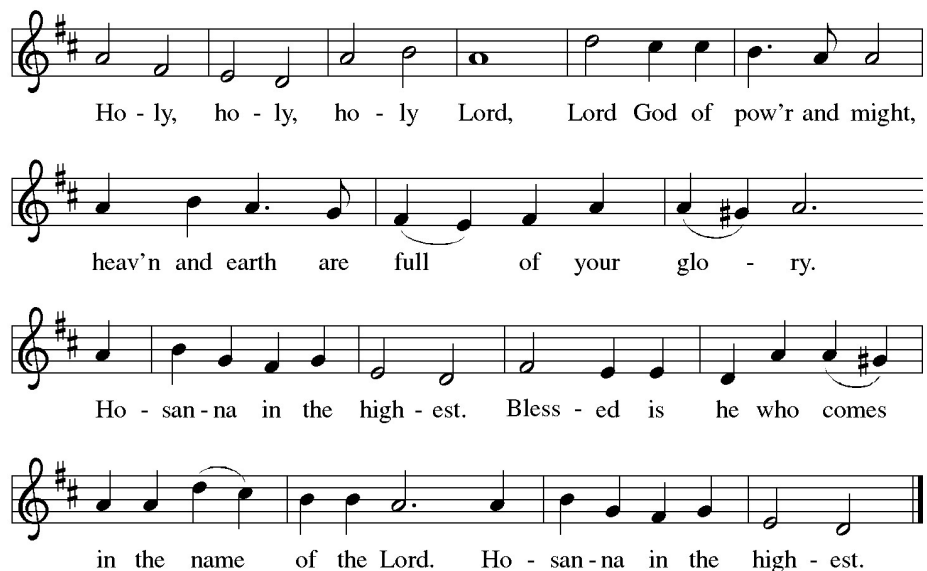
P Lift up your hearts.

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. ►

- ☐ 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:



EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

- ☐ Holy God,
our bread of life, our Table, and our Food,
you created a world in which all might be satisfied by your abundance.

You dined with Abraham and Sarah, promising them life,
and fed your people Israel with manna from heaven.

You sent your Son to eat with sinners
and to become food for the world.

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 given for us
and his rising from the grave,
we await his coming again to share with us the everlasting feast.



By your Spirit nurture and sustain us with this meal:
strengthen us to serve all in hunger and want,
and by this bread and cup make of us the body of 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.

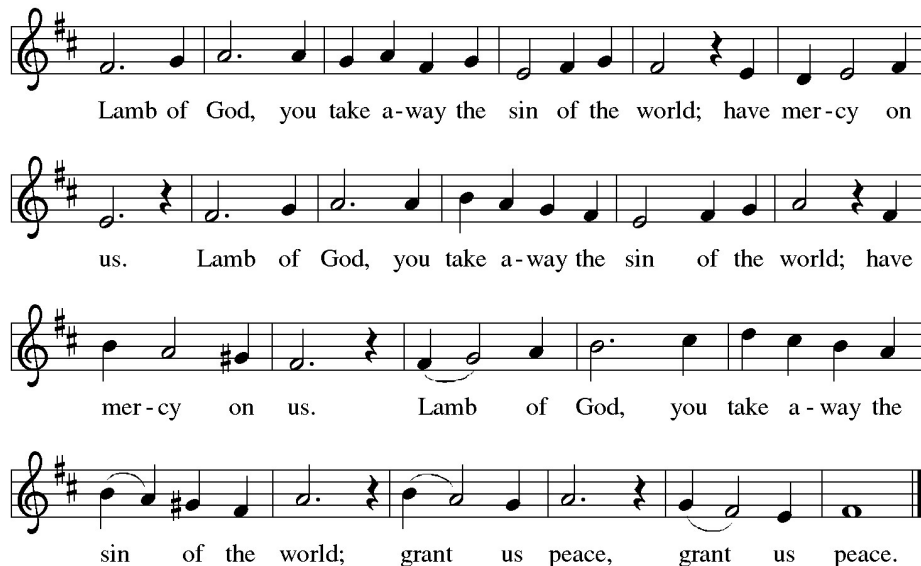
P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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



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

P All who hunger and thirst, come
the table is ready.

C Amen.

P Those communing at home: take and eat, the body and blood of Christ given and shed for you.
(10:30 am Service)

The congregation is seated.

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.

Take a small empty cup from the trays at the head of the center aisle.

Prefilled cups with white grape juice for those who prefer it

are located in the tray on the stand in front of the baptismal font.

Gluten-free wafers are also on the stand in the dish on top of the tray.

Receive the bread and wine and return to your place by the side aisle.

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.


COMMUNION John 1:29

This hymn text and its author are ranked among the first hymns of the English language. The tune, first written as a solo, was later published in a collection of hymns by the composer.

HYMN FOR THE DISTRIBUTION

ELW 620

How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds



1 How sweet the name of Je - sus sounds in
2 It makes the wound - ed spir - it whole and
3 Dear name! The rock on which I build, my
organ 4 By thee my prayers ac - cep - tance gain al -



a be - liev - er's ear! It soothes our sor - rows,
calms the heart's un - rest; 'tis man - na to the
shield and hid - ing place; my nev - er - fail - ing
though with sin de - filed. The dev - il charg - es



heals our wounds, and drives a - way all fear.
hun - gry soul and to the wea - ry, rest.
trea - sury, filled with bound - less stores of grace.
me in vain, and I am owned a child.

5 O Jesus, shepherd, guardian, friend,
my prophet, priest, and king,
my Lord, my life, my way, my end,
accept the praise I bring.

6 How weak the effort of my heart,
how cold my warmest thought;
but when I see thee as thou art,
I'll praise thee as I ought.

7 Till then I would thy love proclaim
with every fleeting breath;
and may the music of thy name
refresh my soul in death!

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 Lord of life,
in the gift of your body and blood
you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation.
Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy,
bearing witness to the abundance of your love
in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

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

BLESSING

P People of God,
you are Christ’s body,
bringing new life to a suffering world.
The holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
bless you now and forever.

C Amen.

This hymn's text was written by a contemporary hymn-writer who felt the need for a straightforward closing hymn which would energize the congregation. The melody was composed by an 18th century English churchman of considerable accomplishment.

SENDING HYMN

ELW 551

The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve



1 The Spir - it sends us forth to serve; we go in
3 We go to be the hands of Christ, to scat - ter
4 Then let us go to serve in peace, the gos - pel

Je - sus' name to bring glad tid - ings
joy like seed and, all our days, to
to pro - claim. God's Spir - it has em -

to the poor, God's fa - vor to pro - claim.
cher - ish life, to do the lov - ing deed.
pow - ered us; we go in Je - sus' name.

DISMISSAL INTO THE WORLD FOR SERVICE

A Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you.

G Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE – "Rondo"

Alfred V. Fedak

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— SERVING TODAY —

PRESIDING – Pastor Moran

ASSISTING MINISTERS – Jan MacInnes (8:15 am)

C. Noelle Partusch (10:30 am)

LECTOR – Les Fobes (10:30 am)

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS – Jennifer DiTullio, Dave Griswold (10:30 am)



Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of my husband, Fred; our parents, Becky and Sam Hood and Mary and Erich Bohn; and my sister, Jean Fulton, by Marilyn Bohn.

Offering plates are located at the doors. You are welcome to use the pew envelopes, designate how your offering is to be used and place in the plate following the service. Thank you.

Baskets are located at the doors for bulletins to be placed in following our 8:15 worship service. If you do not wish to keep your bulletin, please place it in the basket. Thank you.

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.

Opportunities for Worship and Prayer

Sunday Morning Worship – In-person worship at 8:15am and 10:30am. The 10:30am service is live streamed on our church YouTube Channel. To watch the service on YouTube, go to YouTube, in the search bar type in “Luther Memorial Church, Erie, PA”. Subscribe to the channel. Our worship services are also available on our Luther Memorial Church website. If you have any problems or questions, please reach out to Norma Buerk in our church office.

Today's Events

Family Scavenger Hunt will be the highlight of your day this afternoon. Beginning at 12:30pm from our church be a super sleuth and use the clues to find your destinations. One of the stops along the way will be a “God’s Work. Our Hands” small service project, which will also serve as an event for our confirmation students. The scavenger hunt will conclude no later than 4:00pm.

Warm up a bit with delicious homemade stuffed pepper soup. Pick yours up following the 10:30 service this morning for only \$6/quart.

Pictorial Directory

Pictures will be taken for a new Pictorial Directory **beginning today**. We encourage everyone to have their picture taken so we have a new updated directory, which will also aid a new pastor.

- Pictures will be taken in the church parlor following the 8:15 service this morning by Cindy and Eric Hedlund. Following the 10:30 service Ann Flick and Pat Young will meet with you for your picture.
- Pictures will also be taken during the week from 9:00am – 3:00pm. Please stop in our church office and Norma will meet with you to take your picture.
- We also welcome you to email or text pictures. Pictures may be texted to 814-450-7162 or emailed to nbuerk@luthermemorialonline.org.

Worship

At Luther Memorial Church we are thankful that we are able to provide at home communion. Understanding that the bread and wine is a sustaining gift from Jesus that is blessed and received in community, we now have available bread and wine in individual packets that, after being blessed on Sunday morning during our worship, will be available for those worshipping from home to pick up at the church during the week. The intention is that you take home enough bread and wine for each member of your family for the month. During our worship service, those worshipping from home would set before them the consecrated bread and wine, and then receive the bread and wine during worship. To make arrangements to pick up the bread and wine from the church please contact Linda Graffius by email at lgraffius@luthermemorialonline.org, Norma Buerk by email at nbuerk@luthermemorialonline.org, or by calling the church office at 814-454-0106, ext. 221.

Christian Education

Children's Church classes for confirmation students and LYO will be held this morning from 9:30-10:15am in the classroom next to fellowship hall. Masks are worn and all safety protocols are followed. We hope to see many of our children join us. Our class schedule is as follows:

Pre-K and Kindergarten – first Sunday of the month (October 3)
Grades 1-3 – second Sunday of the month (October 10)
LYO – third Sunday of the month (October 17)
Grades 4-6 – fourth Sunday of the month (October 24)

Bibles will be presented to our third grade children on Reformation Sunday, October 31. Please contact the church office if your son and/or daughter are in the third grade and will be receiving their Bible on October 31. Thank you.

Opportunities for Fellowship

OWLS will receive important information as Kathy Sahlmann, a pharmacist, presents a drug program on Tuesday, November 16. We will gather in the parlor at 11:00am and are looking forward to seeing you. Please RSVP to Jan MacInnes or the church office by Friday, November 12.

Magic Fingers Grace Group is the fun, relaxing and joyous way for a Tuesday to begin. Bring any knitting, crocheting, or crafty project you'd like to work on and enjoy a wonderful morning the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. We look forward to seeing you on October 26 and 26 from 10:00am- 12:00 noon. Masks are worn and safe distancing protocol is followed. Please contact Norma in the church office or Jan MacInnes with any questions, 454-0106.

Family Events

Trunk or Treat will be held Sunday, October 24 in our Luther Memorial Church parking lot. This will be a super fun event for the entire family, safely held outside with all treats individually wrapped. We are hoping for full parking lot of cars filled with treats for our trunk-or-treaters. Set up will be at 12:30pm; the event will be held from 1:30-3:00pm. Decorate your car, wear a costume, and enjoy. Please RSVP to our church office by Wednesday, October 20 that you will be participating. Thank you.

Youth Fundraiser

Orders are being taken through Monday, October 25 for the famous Stanganelli's cookie dough, pies, cheesecakes, garlic knots, pepperoni balls and so many of their delicious goodies to satisfy your cravings. Order forms are available in the church office and at the hospitality tables. Your orders may be dropped off in the church office or with Beth Keller. Thank you.

Synod Celebration

NWPA Synod Fall Celebration will be held Sunday, October 24, at Good Hope Lutheran Church, 800 Moran Street, Oil City. The musical prelude will begin at 3:00pm with The Festival of Word and Sacrament beginning at 3:30pm. This will be the first in-person gathering as a synod in over two years. Rev. Dr. Guy Erwin, President of United Lutheran Seminary will be preaching; Rev. Kimberly Hirsch of Lamb of God will preside. Join us for "We are Church, We are Called". A light meal will follow; masks are required.

Luther Memorial Church Policy – Following the CDC and the Pennsylvania Department of Health Guidelines

In accordance with the Pennsylvania mask mandate in place, it is now necessary for all those worshipping at Luther Memorial Church wear a mask regardless of your vaccination status. We continue to respect your choice for physical distancing. We are pleased and thankful that our members have been so cooperative during this difficult time and we thank you for your continued cooperation.

Luther Memorial Concert Series

The LM Concert Series 2020-2021 season was cancelled due to the pandemic. This morning we begin our 2021-2022 season with a return of our "Sunday Morning Mini-Concerts" in a revised format. About once a month, we will feature musicians from within our congregation or with strong ties to Luther Memorial. Each offering will be provided during the Prelude prior to the service and a Voluntary during the service. This morning, we welcome Bob Banks playing several soprano saxophone solos. Upcoming concerts will feature other instrumentalists, vocalists and liturgical dancers. Hopefully we will be able to present one of our **Bach Cantata Vespers** services in the spring since the recent trend of the delta variant has caused us to cancel the usual fall cantata offering.

This Luther Memorial ministry is made possible through the donations of our supporters. Thank you to all of the following who have made donations for this ministry in recent months.

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To become a supporter of the Luther Memorial Concert Series please complete the attached form and send it to the church or place it in the Sunday offering plate. Your sponsorship is fully tax deductible as allowed by law.

Please accept my donation for the current 2021-2022 season.

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Complete this form, enclose cash or check and return to the church at 225 West Tenth Street, Erie PA 16501.

CALENDAR

MONDAY, OCTOBER 18	6:00pm	Legos
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19		
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20	1:30pm 3:00pm	Prayer Group School Board
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21	6:00pm 6:00pm 7:00pm	Handbell Rehearsal Legos Choir Rehearsal
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22	3:30pm 6:00pm	Faith Community Nurse Meeting Pochatko/Bowers Wedding Rehearsal
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23	10:00am 2:00pm	Julia House Meeting Pochatko/Bowers Wedding

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2021

THE TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Pastor Karen Lundwall will preach at the 8:15am and 10:30am services 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 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”.

Children’s Church class for grades 4th – 6th will be held from 9:30-10:15am.

Blood pressures will be offered in the library at 11:30am.

Trunk-or-Treat fun will be held from 1:30-3:00pm in our parking lot. Set-up for those decorating cars will begin at 12:30pm. Join us for all the scary fun and yummy treats.

VASA will meet at 1:00pm.

— PRAYER LIST —

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Our Members:

Sarah Prylinski	Dorothy Overberg	Judy Crissman	Cathy MacGregor
Mike Daniels	Dorothy Respecki	Roy Washill	Bill Grande
Bob Peterson	David Ruler	Jessica Copfer	Peyton Thomas
Brent Young	Mark Howell	Laura Beth Kraut	Shirley Brown
Lois Fobes	Suzanne Franks	Linda Soles	Mark Lechner
Tim Houston	Dave Mumford	Joyce Zwilling	

Friends and Family:

Cecily DeMille	Patty Chadwick	Bob Sadowski	Bobbi MacInnes
Loraine Pond	Kristen	Larry E.	Kirsten Braley
John & Naomi Howard	Amy Valentine	Jesse McFadden	Abby
Madison & family	Ed Hokaj	Elijah Montero	Ray Polasky
Marianella	Linda Grimm	Amanda Toms	Rich Hudic
Carol & Frank V.	Edna Pett	Bea Becknell	Katrina Foltz
Josie W.	Jeff F.	Kimberly Ferry	Juan Esparza
Amanda, Joe & Mitchell S.	Clarice Moore	Don Ingram	Bob Guenther
Linda & Woody F.	Julie Pond	David	Debbie S.
Hildy	Paul Spierling	Joan Torrelli	Mitch Dougan
Mike Cesnick & family	Ben Young	Pamela Hagele	Pam Torrelli
Chet & Pam W.	Bill	John Shafer	Norman Jensen
N. F.	Aiden Mack	Marie Checkley	Kim Hunkins
Tom Ridge	Ethan Polasky	Julie	Betsy
Laurie, Eric & family	Tom Kraut	Kayley Prinzi	Brandy Dyne
Brandon Jones	Bruce Elfvin	Clarence Chase	Dick Lechner
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Carolyn & Viktor Soder	Frank S.	Shelly	Jack Wong
Kim Robertson			

Our Military Service Men & Women:

Lt. Col. Matt Anderson	Michael Stickner	Andrew Watson
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Grief:

Wilda Sundberg family	Steve Narusewicz family
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