

The 10th Sunday after Pentecost

August 6, 2023

9:30 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary



We ask that all present sign our Friendship Sheet. After you add your name to the sheet, please pass it toward the center aisle. Then return it to the outside aisle so that you become familiar with our family in Christ. These sheets help our pastor and congregation with our ministry. If you are looking for a church home, we invite you to join us here at St. Matthew to worship and serve Christ together!

Masks are optional but available in the narthex for anyone who feels more comfortable taking that precaution for themselves or on behalf of others.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who greets us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of our neighbors.

P: Righteous and merciful God,

C: we confess that we have sinned. We have hurt our community. We have squandered your blessings. We have hoarded your bounty. We have failed to be honest. We have lacked the courage to speak and spoken falsely. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy. Amen.

P: God is a cup of cold water when we thirst. God offers boundless grace when we fail. Claim the gift of God's mercy: you are freed and forgiven in the name of † Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

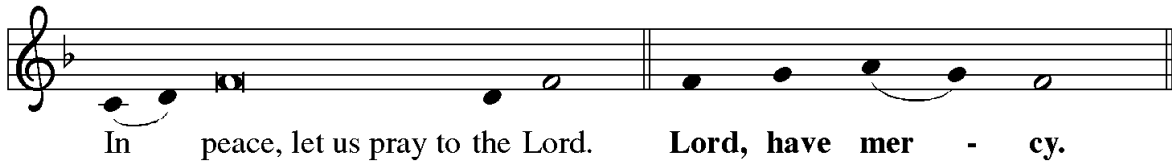
***OPENING HYMN**

As We Gather at Your Table

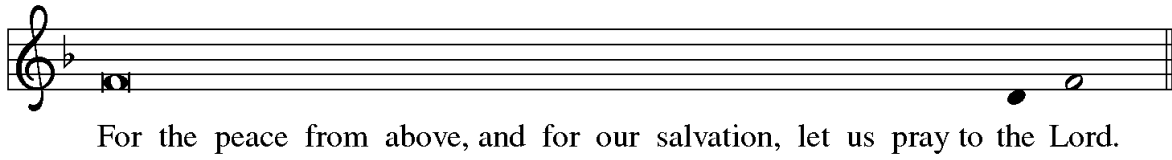
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***GREETING**

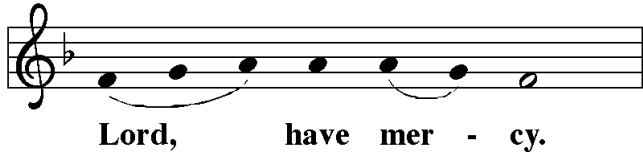
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C: And also with you.**



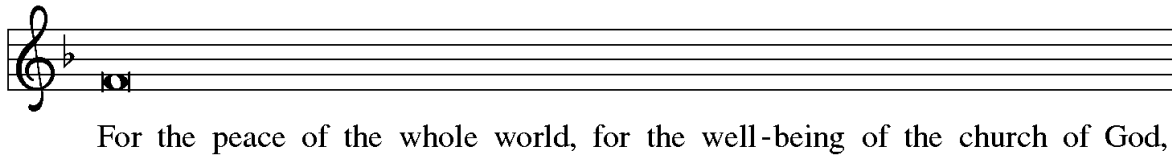
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



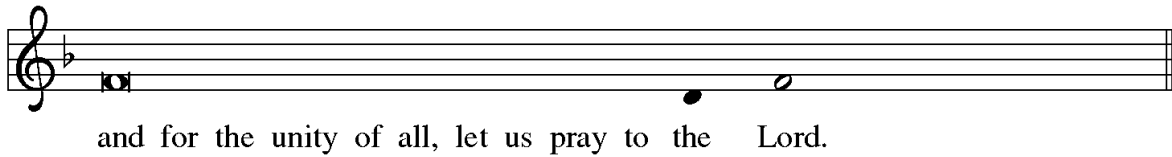
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



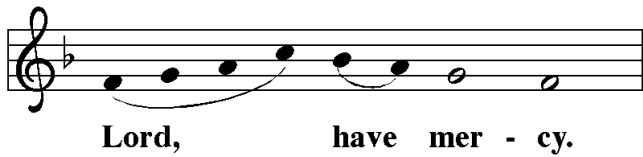
Lord, have mer - cy.



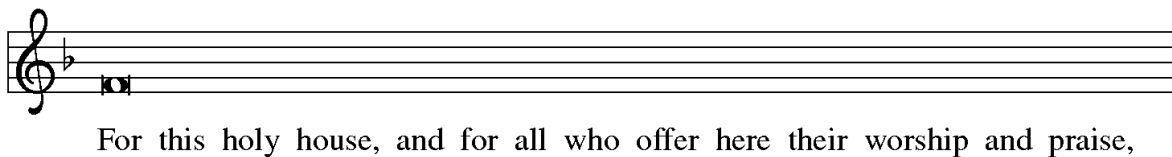
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



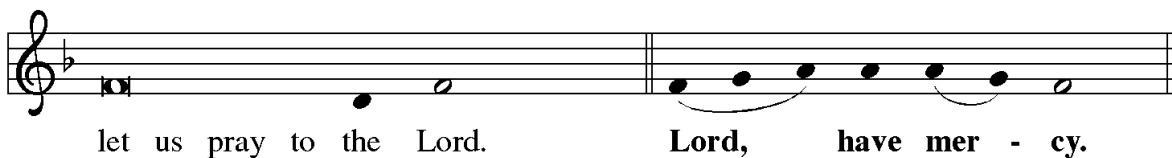
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



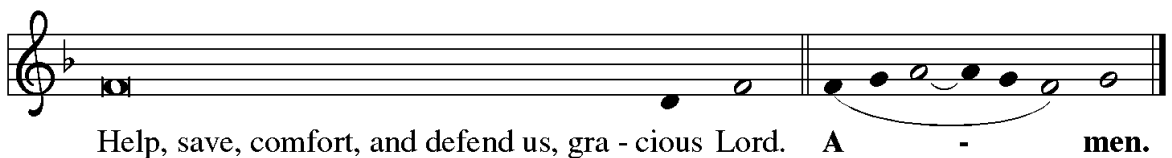
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



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



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

Assisting minister

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

All

Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,

we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;

you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,

in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Let us pray ... Glorious God, your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

FIRST READING: Genesis 32:22-31

²²[At night Jacob] got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. ²⁴Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." ²⁷So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." ²⁹Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. ³⁰So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." ³¹The sun rose upon him as he passed Peniel, limping because of his hip.

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 17:1-7, 15 (read responsively)

¹Hear a just cause, O LORD; give heed to my cry; listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.

²**Let my vindication come forth from your presence; let your eyes be fixed on justice.**

³Examine my heart, visit me by night, melt me down; you will find no impurity in me.

⁴**I have not regarded what others do; at the word of your lips I have avoided the ways of the violent.**

⁵My footsteps hold fast to your well-worn path; and my feet do not slip.

⁶**I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me; incline your ear to me and hear my words.**

⁷Show me your marvelous lovingkindness, O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand from those who rise against them.

¹⁵**But at my vindication I shall see your face; when I awake, I shall be satisfied, beholding your likeness.**

SECOND READING: Romans 9:1-5

¹I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit—²I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. ³For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. ⁴They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; ⁵to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

L: The word of the Lord. *C:* **Thanks be to God.**

*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. Al - le - lu - ia.

*Gospel: Matthew 14:13-21

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹³Now when Jesus heard [about the beheading of John the Baptist], he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. ¹⁵When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.” ¹⁶Jesus said to them, “They need not go away; you give them something to eat.” ¹⁷They replied, “We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.” ¹⁸And he said, “Bring them here to me.” ¹⁹Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. ²¹And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

P: The Gospel of the Lord. *C:* **Praise to you, O Christ.**

HOMILY

Pastor Traci

*HYMN OF THE DAY

Break Now the Bread

ELW # 515

***APOSTLES' CREED**

P: Let us confess our faith through the words of the Apostles' Creed.

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.

***PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

A: Confident that God receives our joys and concerns, let us offer our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of creation.

A: You gather your church together by the Holy Spirit. Inspire all the baptized to proclaim your abundant love throughout the world. Guide us in the mission of the gospel through word and deed. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

A: You cherish your creation, from the smallest microbe to the largest mountain. Protect fragile ecosystems, send favorable weather, supply food and water to nourish creatures, and raise us up to care for all you have created. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

A: You desire peace and justice in the world. Instill within all political leaders your desire, support the work of international peace organizations, and provide relief for those in war-torn areas. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

A: You comfort those who are hurting. Accompany those who are alone, heal those who are sick, provide for all who hunger or thirst, console the bereaved, bring joy to the sorrowful, and attend to all who call on you. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

A: You place us within communities for mutual support and love. Reveal yourself to us in worship, fellowship, and ministry with our neighbors. Provide for feeding ministries and food banks in our area, that we share your abundance with all who hunger. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

A: You have placed before us examples of faithful living who have witnessed to your promises throughout time and space. Rouse us by their lives of service and dedication to be your hands and feet in this world. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

P: Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, in the name of the one who reconciled all creation to himself, Jesus Christ our Savior. **C: Amen.**

*THE PEACE

P: The peace of the LORD be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Please share the peace with those around you using a greeting that is comfortable for both you and them.

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

*An offering plate is located near the entrance to the nave;
we offer thanks for the abundance God has first shown us:*

A: Let us pray ... God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

ELW # S144a

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.

*PROPER PREFACE

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS*Holy, Holy, Holy Lord**

ELW # S144b



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. 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.

***EUCHARISTIC PRAYER & WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

P: Holy God, our Maker, Redeemer, and Healer, in the harmonious world of your creation the plants and animals, the seas and stars were whole and well in your praise. When sin had scarred the world, you sent your Son to heal our ills and to form us again into one.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

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

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

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

***LORD'S PRAYER**

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

***C:* Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

***THE AGNUS DEI**

Lamb of God

ELW # S146

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**

P: All people are called to Christ's table. Come, eat what is good.

COMMUNION HYMN

Bread of Life from Heaven

ELW # 474

***BLESSING**

P: May the body and blood of our LORD Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. ***C:* Amen.**

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

A: *Let us pray...* We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

***C:* Amen.**

***BENEDICTION**

P: The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed † bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age. ***C:* Amen.**

***DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace. Share the harvest. **C: Thanks be to God.**

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Also, please be advised that our parking lot has surveillance cameras and that our worship service is video recorded and/or live-streamed on social media.

Today's Altar Flowers are placed to the Glory of God and in memory of Garrett and Colette Bassler by Peggy Steinfurth.

Serving God and Us

Our Ministers - the People of St. Matthew
Our Pastor – Rev. Traci Marriott
Our Pianist – Dr. Adam Smith
Our Organist – Mary Nelson
Our Missionary Family – Leslie Hand, On Eagle’s Wings
Our Administrative Assistant – Lori Tremmel
Our Assistant Administrative Assistant – Laura Orczeck
Our Sexton – Phil Claar
Our Assisting Minister – Jane Fagans
Our Lector – Linda Smith
Our Usher – Randy McGraw
Our Altar Guild – Tonya Walter
Our Audio/Video Tech – Camden Kuster
Our Offering Counters – Jim Barley, Beth Garner

Third Quarter Ventures in Faith to “*OEW and Missionaries*”

Share the Harvest



The “Share the Harvest” table is up and running. In the months to come, if you have extra fruit or vegetables to share with members of the congregation, please bring your items and place them on a table in the Narthex. Members will be able to help themselves to items as desired. Any remaining produce after Sunday morning will be given away at the discretion of the donor. **“Let us share God’s harvest with others.”**

Church Messenger

The August 2023 *Messenger* is now available at the St. Matthew **Website** (stmatthewlc.com), and on your recent **Email** message from St. Matthew by using the link listed in the body of the message. A paper copy of the *Messenger* is available in the news rack in the church Narthex. By calling the church office at (814-793-2413), you can request a paper copy to be sent by mail to your home. Do not hesitate to call the church office if you need help in securing a copy of the *Messenger*. Your readership and articles are always appreciated.

Martinsburg Food Pantry

Volunteers from the Martinsburg Mennonite Church will be helping to distribute food on Thursday, August 17 from 9:00 until 11:00 a.m. along with the regular volunteers. If anyone harvests more vegetables or fruit than can be used, we will welcome it on the dates it is open!

Items most needed for August: Juice, Peanut Butter, Spaghetti, Tomato Sauce, Fruit.
Many thanks for all your donations!

Many thanks for your donations! Linda Smith

Supplies for Food Pantry (K-5)

We are collecting school supplies for children going back to school in August and September. Please look for items when you shop and place them in the “**school bus**” at church in the Narthex.

Crayola Crayons (24 colors)

12 pack of #2 pencils & large erasers

Highlighters (yellow, pink & green)

8½x11 spiral notebooks (3 hole punched)

Crayola washable markers (10 colors)

Crayola colored pencils (24 color set)

Elmer’s large glue sticks (.77 oz.)

Elmer’s washable school glue (4 oz bottle)

This Week at St. Matthew:

814-793-2413: Office Hours

Pastor Traci – Wed. 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Lori – Mon. – Fri. 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

This Week Events

Today – Worship Service in Sanctuary 9:30 a.m.

Staff Support Meeting following worship

Monday - Worship & Music Meeting, via Zoom 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday - Council Meeting, Window Room and via Zoom 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday - Yoga, Fellowship Hall 5:00 p.m.

Sunday – Worship Service in Sanctuary 9:30 a.m.

Lutheran Day at the Curve, Altoona 6:00 p.m.

Prayers are needed for our homebound: Carl Alexy, Vivian Beach, Fred Brandenburg, Mary Creps, Gerry Girolami, Betty Helsel, Ruth Johnson, Audrey & Dan Kensinger, Janet Kreider, Ginny Sell, Bill Stahl, Joy Williams.

Prayer Concerns: Amy & Family, Randy Barrett, Diane Cappel, Ted Chipperfield, Dave Clayton, Greg Comer, Brian Fleck, Ron Focht, Jim Fritz, Doris Hershberger, Marilyn Horton, Baby James, Darren Kreutzer, Carrie Lively, Kristen Malloy, Karrie McCall & Family, Betty McDowell, Rick McIntyre, Aunt Mica, Carl Miner, Charles Minnick & Family, Nathan, Deb Peters, Bob & Annette Ritchey, Paul Ruth, Dennis Smith, Cindy Thomas, Tiffany Townsend, Jean White, Joel Widmann, Pete Williams, Tim Wilson, Pat Winston, Jody Zelanko, and for our **Missionaries: Rev. Lesley Hand, On Eagle's Wings.**

Our college students: Olivia Day, Camryn Gates.

Those Serving in our Armed Forces: Bradley Buehler, Melody Estep, Colin Guyer, Nathan Smith (Germany).

Sight and Sound Bus Excursion to see *Moses*!

Join the Martinsburg Boosters for this exciting excursion to see Sight & Sound live on stage production of Moses on Wednesday, October 4th, 2023. **Price per individual will be \$160.**

From the banks of the Nile River to the depths of the Red Sea, MOSES is a spectacular entertainment experience for the whole family! Set adrift as a baby, he is an unlikely hero—until God calls him to lead His people out of Egypt and into the Promised Land. Journey with Moses as he ventures through the wilderness, encounters God at the burning bush, and ascends to the top of Mount Sinai. Experience one of the Bible's most epic stories as MOSES comes to life with massive sets, special effects, and live animals in this original stage production.

Price Includes:

- Round Trip Motorcoach Transportation
- Reserved Main Floor Seating 11 am show
- Dinner stop made on return-Hoss's in Carlisle (on own)

Depart:

- 7 am from Morrisons Cove Park

Reservation Deadline:

- August 20, 2023

Payment:

- Check payable to Duane Bordell or Cash

For More Information

Contact Duane Bordell, Raystown Transit Service at 814-944-2585
1117 Logan Blvd., Altoona, PA 16602

Study on the ELCA Social Statement on Civic Life & Faith

The ELCA addresses contemporary social issues and seeks to offer theologically informed guidance regarding the questions of modern life through documents called *Social Statements*. The whole church helps author these statements through studies and feedback gathered as they are being written; social statements are then adopted by the Churchwide Assembly. We are currently in the study and feedback phase of a social statement that will speak to the intersection of the Church and civic life. What are our responsibilities as Christian disciples in a democracy?

Please join Pastors Traci, Amanda, and MartyJo and the area Lutheran churches for this six-week study on Civic Life & Faith. We will meet on Thursdays at 7PM with light refreshments:

August 17th: Christ, Claysburg
August 24th: St. Matthew, Martinsburg
August 31st: St. Luke, Roaring Spring
September 7th: Newry Lutheran
September 14th & 21st: Location To Be Announced

If you can't attend every week, please join us for the weeks you're available. At the end of our study, we will provide feedback to the Churchwide task force.



St. Matthew Lutheran Worship/Church Picnic

Sunday, August 20, 2023

11:00 a.m. at Ed Kreider's Farm

Chicken, table service, and beverage will be provided. Bring a covered dish to share, sides, salads, and desserts.

Bring a chair and come join us. All are welcome!

Directions: From Martinsburg, take 164 East to Fredericksburg. Turn **left** on Clover Creek road and follow for 2¾ miles to Kreider Lane on the right.



ASWO Day of Renewal

Join Lutheran Women friends at a Day of Renewal on August 26 from 9:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m. at the beautiful Altoona Grand Hotel at 1 Sheraton Drive, Altoona. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. with coffee and pastries. Keynote speaker is Pastor Rebecca West from Moxham Lutheran Church. Activities will include paint pouring, easy exercises, crafts, and assembling kits for Lutheran World relief. After the sessions, enjoy lunch. Dress is casual. Please register by August 16. Send a \$10.00 check or money order to Donna College with the registration form on the right.

ALLEGHENY SYNODICAL WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION
DAY OF RENEWAL

The Altoona Grand Hotel, 1 Sheraton Drive, Altoona, PA
Saturday, August 26, 2023

REGISTRATION FORM

(Please complete a separate form for each person attending. Make copies as needed.)
ALL REGISTRATIONS ARE DUE August 16, 2023

Name _____
(first) (last)

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State ____ Zip Code _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

Congregation _____

City _____

Registration Fee: \$10.00

Please send check or money order (payable to Allegheny SWO) to:

**Donna College
188 Grabill Road
Osterburg PA 16667**

2023 ALSM ANNUAL AUXILIARY APPEAL



Allegheny Lutheran Social Ministries (ALSM) is celebrating 75 years of service to ALSM residents who have limited funds. The Auxiliary supports ALSM'S senior communities through benevolent care and gifts to enhance the daily lives of residents by funding life enrichment programs. Auxiliary members have contributed more than \$2 million annually in benevolent care to those ALSM residents with limited funds. St. Matthew has always been a significant contributor to this benevolent care program. Any amount of gift will be greatly appreciated. A gift of just \$10.00 provides a meal for a resident. St. Matthew's appeal will run for the months of July and August. Please fill out the form in the bulletin insert and return with your gift (cash or check) to the church office, Martie Gilbert or to ALSM. Additional forms are located at the Usher's Station in the Narthex. Please prayerfully consider giving to this very life sustaining appeal. To support this appeal, you may also place Cash or **CHECK PAYABLE TO – “ALSM AUXILIARY”** in a plain envelope along with indication and names if this is in “Honor” or “Memory” gift. Please make sure your name is included and give to Martie Gilbert, Key Lady. **(Deadline for donations is Sunday, August 27, 2023.)**

Please accept my gift of:

(check one, please)

_____ \$875
_____ \$100
_____ \$75
_____ \$30
_____ \$10

Other: \$ _____

Thank You for
helping us touch lives
over the past 75 years!

Allegheny Lutheran
Social Ministries
Attn: Advancement Office
998 Logan Blvd.
Altoona, PA 16602
814.696.4500

Please make your check payable to Allegheny Lutheran Social Ministries

My gift is in honor of: (living) _____

My gift is in memory of: (deceased) _____



2023 Annual Auxiliary Appeal



Name(s) _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Address _____

City, State & Zip Code _____

Congregation (if applicable) _____ City _____

***OPENING HYMN**

As We Gather at Your Table

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1 As we gath-er at your ta - ble, as we lis - ten to your word,
2 Turn our wor-ship in - to wit-ness in the sac - ra - ment of life;
3 Gra - cious Spir - it, help us sum-mon oth-er guests to share that feast



help us know, O God, your pres-ence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.
send us forth to love and serve you, bring-ing peace where there is strife.
where tri - um-ph-ant Love will wel-come those who had been last and least.



Nour-ish us with sa - cred sto - ry till we claim it as our own;
Give us, Christ, your great com-pas-sion to for - give as you for - gave;
There no more will en - vy blind us nor will pride our peace de - stroy,



teach us through this ho - ly ban-quet how to make Love's vic - t'ry known.
may we still be - hold your im - age in the world you died to save.
as we join with saints and an - gels to re - peat the sound-ing joy.

Text: Carl P. Daw Jr., b. 1944

Music: IN BABILONE, *Oude en Nieuwe Hollandse Boerenlities en Contradansen*, 1710

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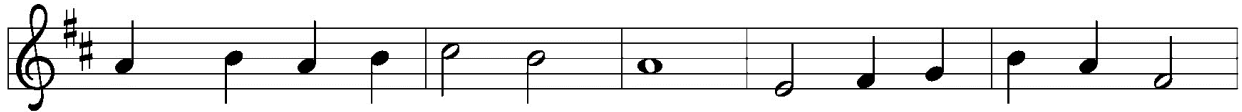
***HYMN OF THE DAY**

Break Now the Bread of Life

ELW # 515



1 Break now the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, as once you
2 Bless your own word of truth, dear Lord, to me, as when you
3 You are the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, your ho - ly



broke the loaves be - side the sea. Be - yond the sa - cred page
blessed the bread by Gal - i - lee. Then shall all bond-age cease,
word the truth that res - cues me. Give me to eat and live



I seek you, Lord; my spir - it waits for you, O liv - ing Word.
all fet - ters fall; and I shall find my peace, my All - in - All!
with you a - bove; teach me to love your truth, for you are love.

Text: Mary A. Lathbury, 1841-1913, alt.

Music: BREAD OF LIFE, William F. Sherwin, 1826-1888

Refrain

Bread of life from heav-en, your blood and bod - y giv - en, we



eat this bread and drink this cup un - til you come a - gain.



1 Break now the bread of Christ's sac - ri - fice; giv - ing
 2 Seek not the food that will pass a - way; set your
 3 Love as the one who, in love for you, gave him -
 4 Dwell in the one who now dwells in you; make your
 5 Drink of this cup and de - clare his death; eat this



thanks, hun - gry ones, gath - er round. Eat, all of you, and be
 hearts on the food that en - dures. Come, learn the true and the
 self for the life of the world. Come to the one who is
 home in the life - giv - ing Word. Know on - ly Christ, Ho - ly
 bread and be - lieve Eas - ter morn; trust his re - turn and, with



sat - is - fied; in Christ's pres - ence the loaves will a - bound.
 liv - ing way, that the full - ness of life may be yours.
 food for you, that your hun - ger and thirst be no more.
 One of God, and be - lieve in the truth you have heard.
 ev - 'ry breath, praise the one in whom you are re - born.

Refrain

Text: Susan R. Briehl, b. 1952

Music: ARGENTINE SANTO, BREAK NOW THE BREAD; Argentine traditional, refrain; Marty Haugen, b. 1950, stanzas
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***SENDING SONG**

The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve

ELW # 551



1 The Spir - it sends us forth to serve; we go in
2 We go to com - fort those who mourn and set the
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
bur - dened free; where hope is dim, to
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.
share a dream and help the blind to see.
cher - ish life, to do the lov - ing deed.
pow - ered us; we go in Je - sus' name.

Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939

Music: CHESTERFIELD, attr. Thomas Haweis, 1734-1820

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