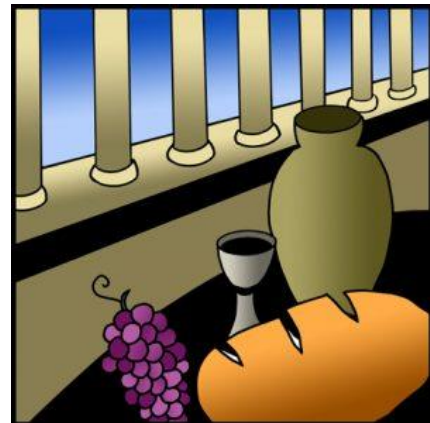


# *The Twelfth Sunday of Pentecost*

**August 15, 2021**

9:00 a.m. Worship in Yard (FH)

10:30 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary



## **Announcements**

### **Prelude**

### **Confession and Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **Amen.**

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

God, our provider,

**help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.**

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, † the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **Amen.**

## \*KYRIE

*Refrain*



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.

1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the  
2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the  
3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for  
4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the



u - ni - ty of all; for  
hun - gry and the poor; that  
friends and fam - i - ly; for  
wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,  
we may live out . . . . truth and jus - tice and grace,  
life and for love, . . . . for our work and our play,  
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,



*Refrain*  
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

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## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you. **C** And also with you.

**P** *Let us pray* ... Ever-loving God, your Son gives himself as living bread for the life of the world. Fill us with such a knowledge of his presence that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life to serve you continually, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.. **C** Amen

**First Reading:** 1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14

<sup>10</sup>Then David slept with his ancestors, and was buried in the city of David. <sup>11</sup>The time that David reigned over Israel was forty years; he reigned seven years in Hebron, and thirty-three years in Jerusalem. <sup>12</sup>So Solomon sat on the throne of his father David; and his kingdom was firmly established.

<sup>3</sup>Solomon loved the LORD, walking in the statutes of his father David; only, he sacrificed and offered incense at the high places. <sup>4</sup>The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the principal high place; Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt offerings on that altar. <sup>5</sup>At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." <sup>6</sup>And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. <sup>7</sup>And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. <sup>8</sup>And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. <sup>9</sup>Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?"

<sup>10</sup>It pleased the LORD that Solomon had asked this. <sup>11</sup>God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, <sup>12</sup>I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you. <sup>13</sup>I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honor all your life; no other king shall compare with you. <sup>14</sup>If you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your life."

☐ The word of the Lord. ☑ **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 34:9-14** (*To be read responsively.*)

<sup>9</sup>Fear the LORD, you saints of the LORD, for those who fear the LORD lack nothing. <sup>10</sup>**The lions are in want and suffer hunger, but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.**

<sup>11</sup>Come, children, and listen to me; I will teach you reverence for the LORD.

<sup>12</sup>**Who among you takes pleasure in life and desires long life to enjoy prosperity?**

<sup>13</sup>Keep your tongue from evil and your lips from lying words.

<sup>14</sup>**Turn from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it.**

**Second Reading: Ephesians 5:15-20**

<sup>15</sup>Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, <sup>16</sup>making the most of the time, because the days are evil. <sup>17</sup>So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. <sup>18</sup>Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, <sup>19</sup>as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, <sup>20</sup>giving thanks to God, the Father, at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

☒ The word of the Lord. ☑ **Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel: John 6:51-58**

The holy gospel according to John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said,] <sup>51</sup>“I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

<sup>52</sup>The Judeans then disputed among themselves, saying, “How can this man give us his flesh to eat?” <sup>53</sup>So Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son-of-Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. <sup>54</sup>Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; <sup>55</sup>for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. <sup>56</sup>Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. <sup>57</sup>Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. <sup>58</sup>This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever.”

☒ The Gospel of the Lord. ☑ **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

*Pastor Traci*

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY**

*Come, Let Us Eat*

ELW # 491

Leader or All



1 Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread,  
2 Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured,  
3 In Je - sus' pres - ence now we meet and rest,  
4 Rise, then, to spread a - broad God's might - y word,

All



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Leader or All



Our Lord's bod - y let us take to - geth - er,  
Je - sus' blood poured let us drink to - geth - er,  
In the pres - ence of our Lord we gath - er,  
Je - sus ris - en will bring in the king - dom,

All



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Text: Billema Kwillia, b. 1925, sts. 1-3; Gilbert E. Doan Jr., b. 1930, st. 4, alt.; tr. Margaret D. Miller, b. 1927, sts. 1-3, alt.  
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**\*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, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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**

On this day of the commemoration of Mary the mother of our Lord, we offer our prayers to God, responding to each petition with words from the song of Mary, “We magnify your name.”

God our Savior, we pray for the church around the world. Inspire all the baptized to proclaim your greatness in word and deed. Bless church musicians for their weekly ministry. Make your churches places of welcome for all who suffer rejection. Remember your mercy, O God: **we magnify your name.**

We pray for the earth. Lessen the devastation of climate change. Extinguish wildfires throughout the world. Protect the bees and all endangered animals. By the strength of your arm, save your creation. Remember your mercy, O God: **we magnify your name.**

We pray for the nations of the world. Inspire elected officials to look with mercy on those in need. Strengthen democracies, and cast down from their thrones all those who are unworthy of the people’s trust. Remember your mercy, O God: **we magnify your name.**

On this day that commemorates the end of World War II, we pray for world peace. Bless the people of Germany and Japan. Defend the children of Afghanistan, Ethiopia, and other places filled with violence. Give to every nation the resolve to be done with the horrors of warfare. Remember your mercy, O God: **we magnify your name.**

We pray for those who are poor or oppressed. Help us feed the hungry and raise up the lowly. We pray for pregnant women, both those who are glad and those who are distressed by their condition. Accompany them throughout their labor. Comfort all parents who mourn the death of their children. We ask you to come to the aid of the sick and suffering and those we name here: Remember your mercy, O God: **we magnify your name.**

We pray for ourselves. Grant each of us wisdom, lead us in the way of insight, and graciously receive our personal petitions. Remember your mercy, O God: **we magnify your name.**

We praise you, Mighty One, for the mercy shown to our ancestors, to Mary the mother of our Lord, and to all you have brought to yourself. Gather us with all the blessed to live in your presence forever. Remember your mercy, O God: **we magnify your name.**

We glorify your name, O God, Holy One, Word of salvation, Power of the Most High. Receive our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## **\*GREAT THANKSGIVING**

**P** The Lord be with you. **C** **And also with you.**

**P** Lift up your hearts. **C** **We lift them to the Lord.**

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

**P** You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory. You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life. We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever. **Amen.**

## \*LORD'S PRAYER

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

☑ **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**

☐ Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

## Communion Hymn

### *Eat This Bread*

ELW # 472

*Refrain*

“Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and nev - er be hun - gry.  
OR Je - sus Christ, bread of life, those who come to you will not hun - ger.

Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.”  
Je - sus Christ, ris - en Lord, those who trust in you will not thirst.

Text: Taizé Community

Music: BERTHIER, Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994

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## Post Communion Prayer

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. **Amen.**





1 On our way re - joic - ing glad - ly let us go.  
2 Un - to God the Fa - ther joy - ful songs we sing;



Christ our Lord has con - quered; van - quished is the foe.  
un - to God the Sav - ior thank - ful hearts we bring;

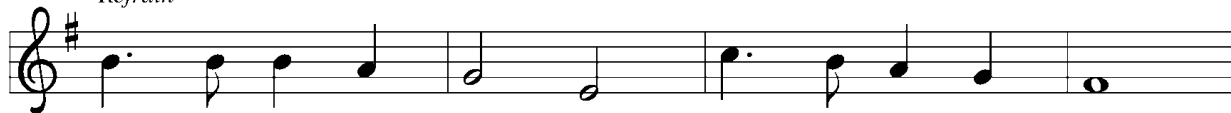


Christ with - out, our safe - ty; Christ with - in, our joy;  
un - to God the Spir - it bow we and a - dore,



who, if we be faith - ful, can our hope de - stroy?  
on our way re - joic - ing now and ev - er - more.

*Refrain*



On our way re - joic - ing; as we for - ward move,



hear - ken to our prais - es, O blest God of love!

Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811-1875, alt.  
Music: HERMAS, Frances R. Havergal, 1836-1879

**Blessing**

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, † be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

**Postlude**

**Dismissal**

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. Thanks be to God.

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**Today's Altar Flowers** are placed to the Glory of God by The Nelson Family and in memory of Ida Ruth Nelson and Grace Ruth

### **Serving God and Us**

Our Pastor – Rev. Traci Marriott  
Our Pianist/Organist – Dr. Adam Smith/Mary Nelson  
Our Administrative Assistant – Lori Tremmel  
Our Assistant Administrative Assistant – Laura Orczeck  
Our Sexton – Bill Brown  
Our Lector (10:30 a.m.) – Allen Kuster  
Our Audio/Video Tech (10:30 a.m.) – Camden Kuster  
Our Offering Counters – Jim Barley, Beth Garner

**Second Quarter Ventures in Faith to “Youth & Camping”**



### **Help Wanted!**

The Property Committee of St. Matthew is seeking either volunteer or temporary paid help for church cleaning of the Sanctuary, Narthex, Fellowship Hall, and restrooms during our Sexton, Bill Brown's convalescence from recent surgery. This position can become permanent as a paid assistant to the Sexton. If you are interested either as a volunteer or a temporary paid worker, please contact the church office at 814 793-2413 Monday to Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

### **Martinsburg Food Pantry**

Volunteers from the Martinsburg Mennonite Church will be helping to distribute food on Thursday, August 19 from 9:00 until 11:00a.m. along with the regular volunteers. If any of you harvest more vegetables or fruit than you can use, please share with the Food Pantry on the dates it is open. When you are shopping, remember we are collecting school supplies, which can be placed in the school box in the narthex.

**Items most needed for August:** Beverages, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Pasta Sides, Paper towels. *Many thanks for your donations!*

**MESSENGERS:** There is a sign-up sheet on the Narthex bulletin board if you would like a PAPER Messenger each month.

**VBS Kickoff TODAY, August 15, 2021** (ages 4-12)  
Morrison's Cove Memorial Park – hosted by MCOB  
Picnic at 5:30 p.m. (bring a covered dish to share)  
More information is on the Narthex Bulletin Board



## Supplies for Food Pantry (K-5)

We'll be collecting school supplies to give 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.

Markers & Highlighters

Colored Pencils

12 pack of #2 Pencils

Crayola Crayons (24 colors)

Large erasers

Glue sticks

Wide Ruled Notebooks

## 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."*

## Office Hours This Week:

Pastor Traci – Wednesday, 1-4 pm

Office Hours – Monday - **Office is Closed** due to planned power outage

Tuesday – 1:00-3:00 p.m. (Laura)

Wed.-Fri. 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. (Laura)

## This Week Events

Wednesday – Yoga 5:00 p.m.

## Worship Schedule Change for August

In August, we will offer two Sunday services each week.

**9AM Worship Outside**—Full Sung Liturgy of Word & Sacrament (Communion)

In case of rain, the service will move to the Fellowship Hall and will be a spoken liturgy.

**10:30AM Worship in the Sanctuary**—Full Spoken Liturgy of Word & Sacrament (Communion)

This will be the recorded and live-streamed service.

**Sunday, August 29 10:30 AM** Worship Service at the **Kreider Farm** with brown bag lunch to follow.

**Inside or outside**, masks are optional for those who are fully vaccinated and required for those who are not fully vaccinated.

**Office Closed:** Due to a planned Penelec Power Outage on **Monday, August 16<sup>th</sup>**, the office will be closed. Rain date is Tuesday, August 17.

**Prayers are needed for our homebound:** Shirley Acker, Carl & Dawn Alexy, John Aljets, Vivian Beach, Verna Blough, Fred Brandenburg, Clyde Claycomb, Betty Helsel, Jere Hess, Gerald Hoover, Audrey Hite, Ruth Johnson, Janet Kreider, Ginny Sell, Dan Sinal, Don Smith, Joy Williams.

**Prayer Concerns:** Carl Alexy, Amy & Family, Pastor Denise Arpino, Cindy Barnes, Randy Barrett, Bill Brown, Diane Cappel, Dwight Ciccotelli, Greg Comer, Marjorie Detwiler, Brian Fleck, Jim Fritz, George Gilbert Sr., Bob Guyer, Dan Hershberger, Doris Hershberger, Marilyn Horton, Jozef Iwanski, Audrey & Dan Kensinger, Anna Klepser, Darren Kreutzer, Dave Lehman, Cathy Loose, Karrie McCall & Family, Chuck McGeary, Jeff McFarland, Marjorie Marriott, Ryder McDermitt, Betty McDowell, Rick McIntyre, Nathan, Aunt Mica, Murtle Miller, Anthony Pedone, Deb Peters, Paul Ruth, Barbara Smith, Luther Steele, Cindy Thomas, Dan Tremmel, Carol Weyandt, Pete Williams, Jody Zelanko, and for our **Missionaries: Rev. Lesley Hand, On Eagle's Wings, Elizabeth Hendrickson.**

**Our college students:** Christopher Bush, Olivia Day, Jacob Orczeck.

**Those Serving in the Army Overseas:** Nathan Smith (Germany)

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

**Age 14 & up.....Community service hours.....Great for Seniors .....**

Volunteers are needed for greeting visitors at the main entrance of the Lutheran Home of Hollidaysburg. This is a seated position in our front lobby, separate from the resident living area. Your duties will include greeting visitors as they enter, signing them in and taking their temperature. This is a calm environment, so bring along a book or your hobby to enjoy in between visitors. We will work with your schedule, in time intervals that suit you! There is a need between 9am-6pm, 7 days a week but especially have a need for weekends.

Please call Jennifer Helsley 814-696-4530 if interested.

### **Readings for the Week:**

**Monday** Psalm 36. **Tuesday** Acts 7:9-16. **Wednesday** Genesis 47:13-26. **Thursday** Psalm 34:15-22. **Friday** Romans 13:11-14. **Saturday** Luke 11:5-13. **Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost** Joshua 24:1-2a. 14-18; Psalm 34:15-22; Ephesians 6:10-20; John 6:56-69.