St. John's Lutheran Church Belleville, PA



Sixth Sunday of Easter May 22, 2022

PRELUDE WELCOME

On this sixth Sunday of Easter we still marvel at what our ever present God has done through the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Even as Jesus prepares to depart the presence of the disciples, he makes arrangements for them, and for us, to be cared for, encouraged and to be reminded of his love for us.

ANNOUNCEMENTS





*CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS

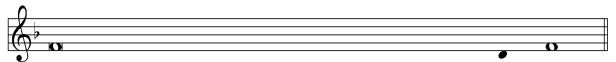
- P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen
- P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen
- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P Most merciful God,
- C we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen
- P Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen
- 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.

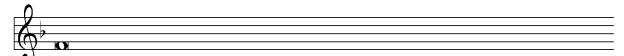
*KYRIE





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

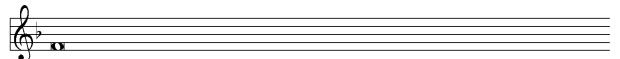




A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,







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





*HYMN of PRAISE A Glory to God



A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his peo-ple on earth.



② 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,



*PRAYER of the DAY ~ (in unison)



P Let us pray...

Bountiful God, you gather your people into your realm, and you promise us food from your tree of life. Nourish us with your word, that empowered by your Spirit we may love one another and the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

LESSONS

First Lesson ~ A reading from Acts 16:9-15 after the reading

R The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

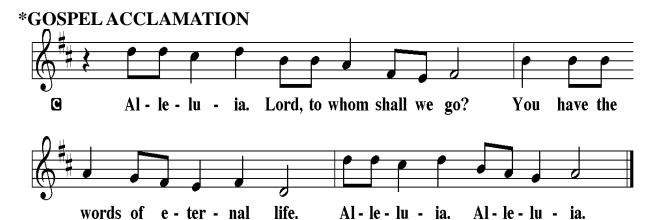
Psalm 67 ~ with response

The psalm is announced, organ plays response 1x, cantor or pastor sings 1x, people join to sing response, then as psalm is read, congregation sings response at each R.

Second Lesson ~ A reading from Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5 after the reading

R The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.



Gospel Reading ~ P The Holy Gospel according to John the 5th chapter.



The Gospel is read

Alternate Reading not printed in Celebrate John 5:1-9

After this there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. In these lay many invalids--blind, lame, and paralyzed. One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be made well?" The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me." Jesus said to him, "Stand up, take your mat and walk." At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk. Now that day was a sabbath.

After the reading

P The Gospel of the Lord



HYMN ~ When Peace, like a River

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*APOSTLES' CREED

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

THE PEACE

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

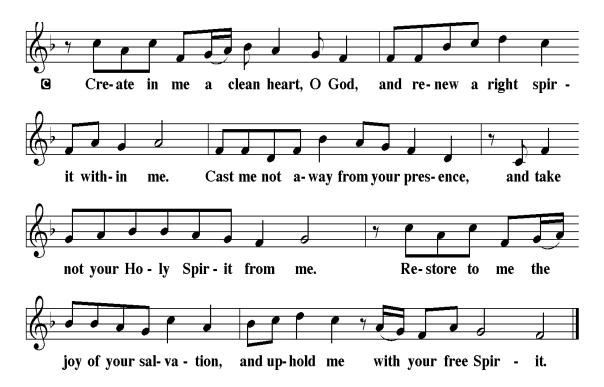
C: And also with you.

P: Let us extend the Peace of Christ to each other and beyond the walls of our sanctuary. Peace be with you!

C: Peace be with you.

OFFERING ~ In thanksgiving for the peace Christ gives us, let us bring our gifts before God. You may leave your gifts in one of the offering plates at the end of the front and back pews.

*OFFERTORY



*PRAYERS of the PEOPLE ~

P Set free from captivity to sin and death, we pray to the God of resurrection for the church, people in need, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

We uplift the new candidates for Young Adult Global Mission as they prepare to travel to their assignments for the coming year. Protect them as they travel and open their hearts and minds to see you at work in the world. Help them to use their gifts for your glory. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

P Let us pray as Jesus taught us:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

*THE BLESSING

P The Lord, Jesus Christ spoke to his disciples and assured them:

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. (John 14:27)

The Lord bless you and keep you.

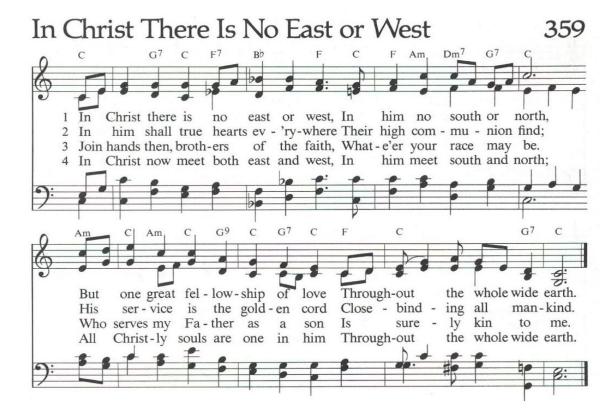
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C Amen

*HYMN ~ In Christ There Is No East or West

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*DISMISSAL

P Go in Peace. Serve the Lord

R Thanks be to God

POSTLUDE

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Our Mission Statement

We, the members of St. John's congregation, promise to share the good news of Jesus Christ, to worship and to love one another in our homes, church, community and the world.

Our Vision Statement

To be people who are welcoming and encourage God's love in our community through our prayer, devotion, benevolence and deeds.

Today

Greeter: Gwen Hornberger; Lay Reader: Gwen Hornberger

Next Sunday, May 29

Greeter: Carolyn Conner; Lay Reader: Jami Zook

The Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by Joseph Kanagy in memory of Zachary J. Kanagy, and in honor of Brooke, Sam and their children.

Please remember in prayer ~ Kyung Sun Yim, Seulki's mother, family of Nancy Glick, Gabriel Clark, Jim and Georgianna Buchanan, Bob Treaster, Andrea Kauffman, Don F. Smith, Samantha Smith, our members ~ Joyce Stuck (Greenwood Village), Betty Harmon (Celebration Villa), Carolyn Malone (Rest Haven, York), Pastor Kramm, Don Wolfe, Carol Yoder (VVH).

FROM the PASTOR

St. Johns this year hosts the Memorial Day Sunday Service on May 29. This is the spiritual counterpart to the Monday Memorial Day parade and celebrations. We praise God for the gift of the promise of life eternal through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ and remember and honor fallen and living veterans for their service and to our country and the world. Please invite any service people you know in the community to attend. We will also honor our firefighters, law enforcement and EMS personnel.

Sharon Wyland will provide special music singing a *God Bless America medley*. Dorie Remensnyder's son Col. Dirk Remensnyder will be the special speaker for Memorial Day. He was unable to speak for our Sunday service due to his son's graduation. Special speakers from the community will provide our message.

UPCOMING SERVICES and Special Days: Sunday, June 5 **Pentecost and Communion.** A Family brunch honoring mothers and fathers" will be held after church. Your family and extended family are all invited.

Sunday June 12 **Baccalaureate Service**, Honoring graduates and teachers, retired and current and others who work in the education field including our own Day Care staff. Please submit names of graduates of any age in your family including name, school, and degree. If you have been a teacher or have a teacher you would like to honor, include that as well.

Sunday June 19 Father's Day

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We would like to thank the members of St. John's for your prayers, cards, expressions of concern and sympathy during the illness and death of husband and brother, Calvin Baker.

Renee Baker, Lynne and Mark Baker

St. John's has Meals on Wheels the end of this month/beginning of June. **Still needed are** \sim homemade sticky rolls $4 \sim 9x12$ pans of or 4 dozen purchased locally (sign-up in narthex).

The annual Relay for Life event is being held at Derry Township Community Park on Saturday, June 11. All fundraising proceeds go toward finding a cure for cancer. You can make a difference by donating baked goods! If you can help in this way, please contact Carol Fultz (717-935-0140).

The Social Ministry committee is hosting a Mother/Father Brunch following the worship service on Sunday, June 5. A sign-up has been placed in the narthex for those planning to attend, and to help provide food donations.

Social Ministry is entering a float in the annual Memorial Day parade. Carolyn Conner will follow in her car, and anyone who is not able to walk the parade route is welcome to ride along with her. If you are interested in participating, please contact a committee member.

January 1 thru May 19, 2022 Last week's attendance ~ 32 Offering ~ \$ 1,310.00

St. John's ~ Income \$80,305.59 Expense \$66,649.93 Net Income \$13,655.66

Daycare ~ Income \$151,758.75 Expense \$133,242.53 Net Income \$18,516.22