

Second Sunday after Pentecost
June 2, 2024

WELCOME

*A warm welcome to visitors who join us today to worship our Risen Lord!
We invite you to pick up a Visitor's Packet as you leave worship today.
Thank you for joining us this morning! We are blessed by your presence.*

Children are always welcome at worship.

If desired, there is an unstaffed nursery available for parents and their children on the second floor in first classroom on right side of hallway after restrooms.

*Large print bulletins and hearing assistance devices
for today's worship are available.
Please feel free to ask an usher if interested.*

THIS WEEK AT FIRST June 2– June 9

Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Worship w/Holy Communion
Monday	7:00 p.m.	Scouts
Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Scouts
Wednesday	9:30 a.m.	LWR Quilters
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Worship & Confirmation Camp



We give thanks to God for the anticipated arrival of Rubens Paul's wife (Love Mica) and son (Melvin age 8) on Saturday, June 8. They will be staying in furnished housing near the church for a 5 week period through July 13. Rubens returns from military training on July 10. The cost for this temporary housing in \$2500. If you would like to support the Paul family during this time of transition, we will receive donations and share them as needs arise. Please write "Rubens Paul family" on your check or envelope. Thank you for your support.

GATHERING

WELCOME & 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.

Silence is kept for reflection.

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.**

God Is Here

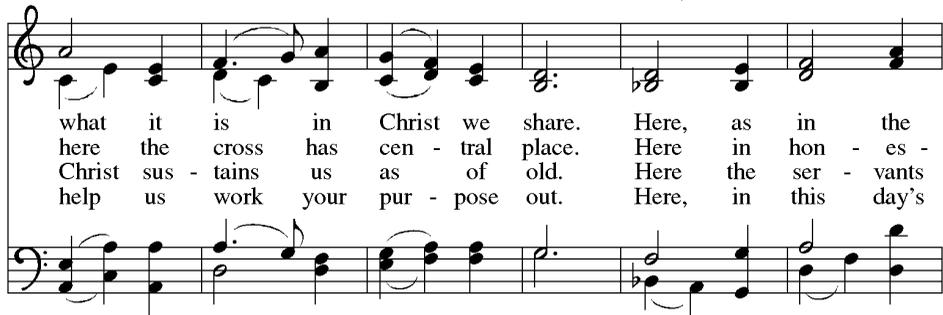
Text: Fred Pratt Green, 1903-2000 Music: ABBOTS LEIGH, Cyril V. Taylor, 1907-1991



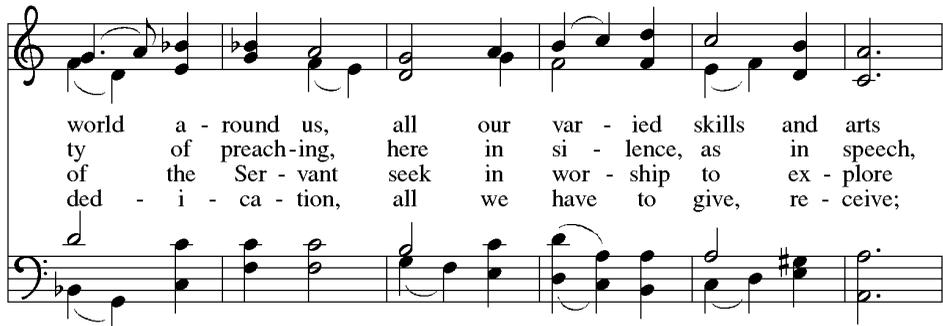
1 God is here! As we your peo - ple meet to of - fer
2 Here are sym - bols to re - mind us of our life - long
3 Here our chil - dren find a wel - come in the Shep - herd's
4 Lord of all, of church and king - dom, in an age of



praise and prayer, may we find in full - er mea - sure
need of grace; here are ta - ble, font, and pul - pit;
flock and fold; here as bread and wine are tak - en,
change and doubt, keep us faith - ful to the gos - pel;



what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the
here the cross has cen - tral place. Here in hon - es -
Christ sus - tains us as of old. Here the ser - vants
help us work your pur - pose out. Here, in this day's



world a - round us, all our var - ied skills and arts
ty of preach - ing, here in si - lence, as in speech,
of the Ser - vant seek in wor - ship to ex - plore
ded - i - ca - tion, all we have to give, re - ceive;

wait the com- ing of the Spir- it in - to o - pen minds and hearts.
 here, in new- ness and re - new- al, God the Spir - it comes to each.
 what it means in dai - ly liv - ing to be - lieve and to a - dore.
 we, who can - not live with- out you, we a - dore you! We be - lieve!

GREETING

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

HYMN OF PRAISE

1 Come, let us join our cheer-ful songs with an- gels round the throne;
 2 "Wor - thy the Lamb that died," they cry, "to be ex - alt - ed thus!"
 3 Je - sus is wor - thy to re-ceive hon - or and pow'r di - vine;
 4 Let all cre - a - tion join in one to bless the sa - cred name

ten thou- sand thou- sand are their tongues, but all their joys are one.
 "Wor - thy the Lamb," our lips re - ply, "for he was slain for us!"
 and bless-ings, more than we can give, be, Lord, for - ev - er thine.
 of God who sits up - on the throne, and to a - dore the Lamb.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

Let us pray. **Almighty and ever-living God, throughout time you free the oppressed, heal the sick, and make whole all that you have made. Look with compassion on the world wounded by sin, and by your power restore us to wholeness of life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

FIRST READING

1 Samuel 3:1-20

¹Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

²At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; ³the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. ⁴Then the LORD called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" ⁵and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. ⁶The LORD called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." ⁷Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. ⁸The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. ⁹Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

¹⁰Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening." ¹¹Then the LORD said to Samuel, "See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle. ¹²On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end.

¹³For I have told him that I am about to punish his house forever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. ¹⁴Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering forever."

¹⁵Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the LORD. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. ¹⁶But Eli called Samuel and said, "Samuel, my son." He said, "Here I am." ¹⁷Eli said, "What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything from me of all that he told you." ¹⁸So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. Then he said, "It is the LORD; let him do what seems good to him."

¹⁹As Samuel grew up, the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. ²⁰And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the LORD.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalm 81:1-10

¹Sing with joy to God our strength
and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob.

²**Raise a song and sound the timbrel,
the merry harp, and the lyre.**

³Blow the ram's horn at the new moon,
and at the full moon, the day of our feast;

⁴**for this is a statute for Israel,
a law of the God of Jacob.**

⁵God laid it as a solemn charge upon Joseph, going out over the land of Egypt,
where I heard a voice I did not know:

⁶**"I eased your shoulder from the burden;
your hands were set free from the gravedigger's basket.**

⁷You called on me in trouble, and I delivered you;
I answered you from the secret place of thunder
and tested you at the water of Meribah.

⁸**Hear, O my people, and I will admonish you:
O Israel, if you would but listen to me!**

⁹There shall be no strange god among you;
you shall not worship a foreign god.

¹⁰**I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt.
Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it.**

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 4:5-12

⁵We do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. ⁶For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

⁷But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. ⁸We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; ⁹persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; ¹⁰always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. ¹¹For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. ¹²So death is at work in us, but life in you.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL

Mark 2:23—3:6

The Holy Gospel according to Mark the 2nd chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

²³One sabbath [Jesus] was going through the grainfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. ²⁴The Pharisees said to him, “Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?” ²⁵And he said to them, “Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food? ²⁶He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions.” ²⁷Then he said to them, “The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; ²⁸so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath.”

^{3:1}Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. ²They watched him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. ³And he said to the man who had the withered hand, “Come forward.” ⁴Then he said to them, “Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?” But they were silent. ⁵He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, “Stretch out your hand.” He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. ⁶The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

Following the sermon silence is kept for reflection.

PASTORAL PRAYER

Following the pray, please stand as you are able.

Here I am, Lord

Text: Daniel L. Schutte, b. 1946 Music: HERE I AM, LORD, Daniel L. Schutte



1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.
2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.
3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way.
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.



I, who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.
Fin-est bread I will pro-vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?"
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?"

Refrain



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

APOSTLES' CREED

**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 INTERCESSION

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Please be seated.

MEAL

OFFERING

*An offering is gathered for the mission of the church,
including the care of those in need. Online giving is
available at felcc.org or by scanning this QR code.*



***During the summer months, please place your offering
in the plates at the entrances to worship.***

ANTHEM

Gather Us In

Please stand as you are able.

OFFERTORY



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the
brim our cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the
prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,
and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERING PRAYER

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen.

DIALOG

The Lord be with you.

And also 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.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and



might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, 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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy God, You alone are holy. You alone are God.
The universe declares your praise: beyond the stars;
beneath the sea; within each cell; with every breath.
We praise you, O God.

Generations bless your faithfulness:
through the water; by night and day;
across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future.
We bless you, O God

We give you thanks for your dear Son:
at the heart of human life; near those who suffer;
beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now.
We thank you, O God.

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 his love for us on the way,
at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died. Christ is Risen. Christ will come again.

We pray for the gift of your Spirit: in our gathering;
within this meal; among your people throughout the world.

Blessing, praise and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus,
by your Spirit, in your church, without end. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, 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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!
Thanks be to God.

Please be seated.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

Communion: All Christians who believe that Jesus is truly present in the bread (body of Christ) and in the wine (blood of Christ) are welcome at the Lord's table. To receive Holy Communion, please come down the center aisle, take a glass (the prefilled glasses contain grape juice), and gather at the altar. Non-communing children and adults may come forward for a blessing.

LAMB OF GOD



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.

As the Grains of Wheat

Text: Didache, 2nd cent; Marty Haugen, b. 1950 Music: AS THE GRAINS, Marty Haugen

Refrain



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were



gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from



all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.



1 As this cup of bless-ing is shared with-in our midst,
2 Let this be a fore-taste of all that is to come when



may we share the pres - ence of your love.
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

Refrain

TABLE BLESSING

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

POST COMMUNION CANTICAL



Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.



Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

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.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

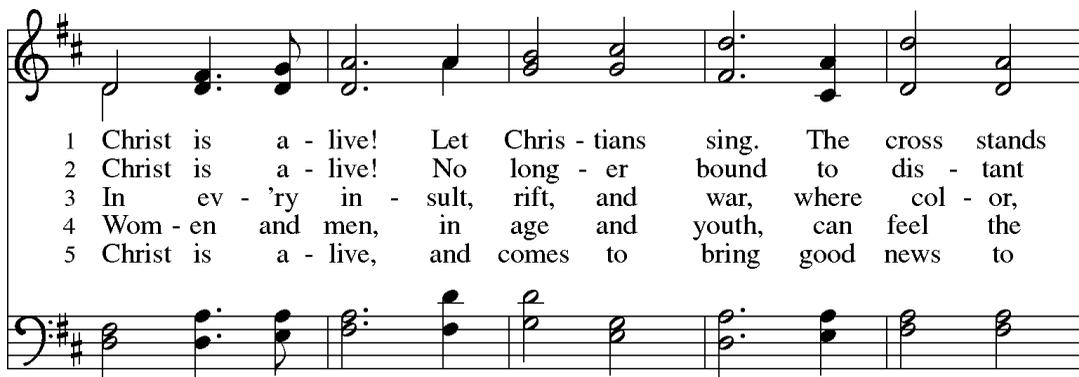
Gracious God, in this season after Pentecost, as we sense the working of the Holy Spirit among us, assist those who set forth to share your word and sacrament with those who are *sick or homebound*. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those who will receive this sacrament. Give us all the comfort of your abiding presence through the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

BLESSING

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

Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing

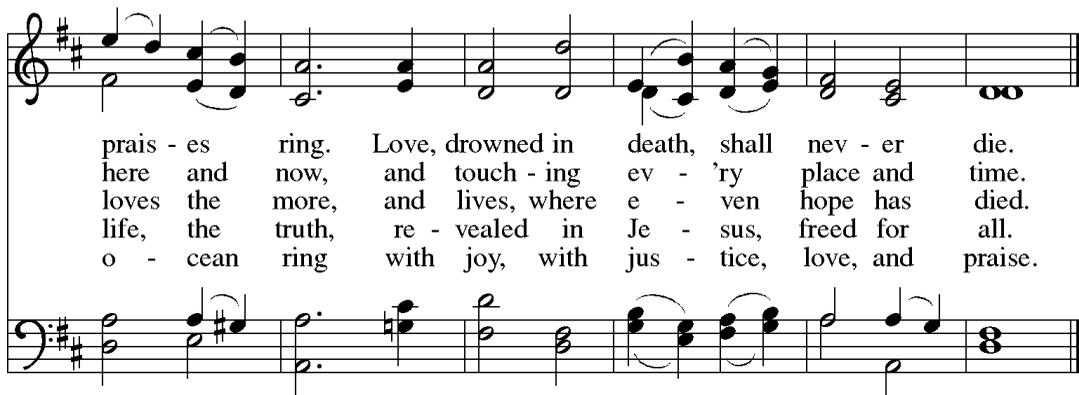
Text: Brian A. Wren, b. 1936 Music: TRURO T. Williams, Psalmody Evangelica, 1789



1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands
2 Christ is a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant
3 In ev - 'ry in - sult, rift, and war, where col - or,
4 Wom - en and men, in age and youth, can feel the
5 Christ is a - live, and comes to bring good news to



emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with
years in Pal - es - tine, but sav - ing, heal - ing,
scorn, or wealth di - vide, Christ suf - fers still, yet
Spir - it, hear the call, and find the way, the
this and ev - 'ry age, till earth and sky and



prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.
here and now, and touch - ing ev - 'ry place and time.
loves the more, and lives, where e - ven hope has died.
life, the truth, re - vealed in Je - sus, freed for all.
o - cean ring with joy, with jus - tice, love, and praise.

DISMISSAL

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

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Please remember in your prayers ...

Healing: Bonnie (6/30), June Boring (6/23), Joanne Caskey (6/6), Kira Coy (6/15), Diane & Gary DaRe (6/22), Jay (6/8), Julie Diehl (6/23), June Diehl (6/14), LaVonne Dorseth (6/15), Joanne Fisher (6/22), Destinee Gray (6/17), Joyce (6/14), Joyce Morschhauser (6/28), Edison Paul (6/9), Bev Rebok (6/21), Dia Schumacher (6/25), Garry Shatzer (6/3), Juanita Shaw (6/8), BrunoTonelli (6/21)

Long Term Care: Pat Dent, Denise Heinbaugh, Charles Kampmeyer and Joe Pine
Military: Tawny & Brad Arnold, and Rubens Paul

ATTENDANCE May 26 49 in person 10 on line



OUTDOOR WORSHIP AND PICNIC we hope you will join us at Greene Township Park Pavilion for Worship on Sunday, June 23 at 10:45. You may wish to bring a lawn chair. If you would like to help with the more causal worship that day, please be in touch with Pastor Nicholson. To help with music contact Freda Dorand. The congregation picnic will follow. Menu will be posted at a later date in Memorial Hall. Please make your reservation for food by June 16th. Sign up in Memorial Hall after worship on June 9th & 16th, or by calling Mary Beth Warne at (717) 372-8282. Shorts and t-shirts are appropriate dress. You are welcome to bring a lawn chair.

ALL WOMEN ARE INVITED to come to Memorial Park in Chambersburg for a picnic on Thursday, June 13 at 12:30 p.m. Bring your own lunch. Drinks and dessert will be provided. Enjoy fun games and **fellowship**. **We will meet in the park by the tennis courts.** **Contact** Janet Friend (717-360-1977) or Nancy Fricke (717-267-5067) for more information.

SUPPORT NTT use Thrivent Dollars Grant Money. We will help you through the short process. Tim Gotwald 717-264-4759 tgotwald@embarqmail.com

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE wishes to increase its membership. The committee develops the annual budget and provides financial advice to Council. A financial management background is not necessary. Monthly meetings are scheduled for the second Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. The committee will not meet if there is no business to discuss. Usually there are six to seven meetings annually, primarily to develop the budget and conduct mid-year reviews. Please contact Tedd Sloan, Sally Herrit, Carol McCoy or Pastor Nicholson if you are interested.

BACK TO SCHOOL EVENT Please purchase briefs for boys and girls. No hipsters please. We are collecting gray t-shirts for the boys and camis for the girls. Small, Medium and Large children's sizes for both. This collection will last until June 30. Envelopes are at the entrances of sanctuary. Thank you.



ST. SERAPHIM Two volunteers are needed on June 29 to serve lunch. Please contact Mary Gotwald @ 717-264-4759 or mgotwald@embarqmail.com. The Soup Kitchen is located near the Salvation Army. Our work consists of making sandwiches, setting up a drink station, serving soup and chatting with those who come in for a meal

GIVE - N - TAKE to maintain a supply of non-perishable food please bring one food item with you when you come to church. A container will be in Memorial Hall for collecting. Blessings from the Neighborhood Task Team.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL at St. Luke's (2695 Luther Dr.) on July 7-11, 5:30-8:00 p.m., ages 4-12. Sign up online via St. Luke's website stlukechambersburg.org/2024-vbs.



100% CHANCE OF RAIN (THE FAITH OF MRS. NOAH) with delightful moments of music and humor, Mrs. Noah (Karen Knight from Sight and Sound Theater) will tell the story of how she coped with an overwhelming task in an unusual situation while finding the faith to overcome her life's unexpected storms. Mrs. Noah's message in story and song will make you laugh...move you to tears..... & leave you inspired in your faith. Join us at worship on August 11 as the Women of the ELCA provide leadership for our worship together. Feel free to invite friends.

SCAN PROGRAM volunteer to help a school district child with specific needs. Contact Kim Martin to sign up and for information. You may choose how much you want to donate and how often you want to donate. Kim's phone 717-446-0842 or email her at kmartin_898@hotmail.com



BASEBALL -HAGERSTOWN

Sunday, July 7 at 5:00 p.m.

Sign-up by June 16 on sheet by office door or call or e-mail the office. Cost \$12.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

	<u>June 2</u>	<u>June 9</u>	<u>June 16</u>
Lector:	Joyce Ray	Nancy Fricke	Jane Love
Soundboard:	Bob Lawyer	Mark Nicholson	Marlin Maclay
Communion Assistants:	Mary Gotwald Becky Hoover Karen Sloan		Mary Gotwald Tim Gotwald Becky Hoover
Greeters:	Nancy Hamilton	Nancy Hamilton	Nancy Hamilton
Altar Guild:	Barb Evans Karin Woods	Barb Evans Karin Woods	Barb Evans Karin Woods
Ushers:	Rick Gates Nicki Johnson Denny Love Mark Nicholson Bob Wildeson	Rick Gates Nicki Johnson Denny Love Mark Nicholson Bob Wildeson	Rick Gates Nicki Johnson Denny Love Mark Nicholson Bob Wildeson



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Church Office Hours – Monday - Thursday 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

We welcome visitors this morning.

Please pick up a **visitor's packet**. They are located at the top of the steps.
at the rear of the church or on the table at the elevator entrance.

Our Mission

The mission of First Lutheran Church is to be the light of Jesus,
burning brightly and vigorously in our community.

Worship Schedule

Worship at 9:30 a.m.

also on facebook at First Evangelical Lutheran Church
and on our webpage at www.FELCC.org

ALL are invited to hear and receive God's blessing in Jesus,
and to worship with us.