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**A congregation of the Southwestern Pennsylvania Synod
of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**

*"We are a caring family of God nourished by the Word, guided by the Holy Spirit to
share the love of Jesus Christ."*

**Service of the Word and Sacrament
July 8 – 10:30 am.
"Time after Pentecost"**

*We welcome all visitors with us and ask that you sign our guest register. If you are
looking for a church home, we invite you to consider the Good Shepherd family.*

When you see the following symbol "+", please stand.

**Please be considerate to those around you and observe silence during the prelude and service.
This time is designed for personal meditation.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE (Silent Meditation Time)

"LARGO"

ARR. H. HOPSON

+ CONFESSON AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the Holy Trinity, + one God, full of compassion and mercy, abounding in
steadfast love. **Amen.**

Trusting God's promise of forgiveness, let us confess our sin against God and one another.

Eternal God our creator,

In you we live and move and have our being. Look upon us, your children, the work of your hands. Forgive us all our offenses, and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty desires. By your grace draw us near to you, our refuge and our strength; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit given to us. In the mercy of almighty God, Christ died for us while we still were sinners; and for his sake, God † forgives you all your sins.

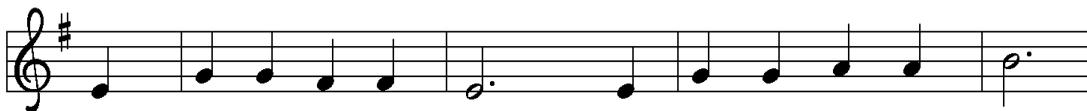
Amen.

+ **GATHERING HYMN** *“OPEN YOUR EARS, O FAITHFUL PEOPLE”* **ELW 519**

+ **APOSTOLIC 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.**

+**KYRIE**



1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

+HYMN OF PRAISE



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

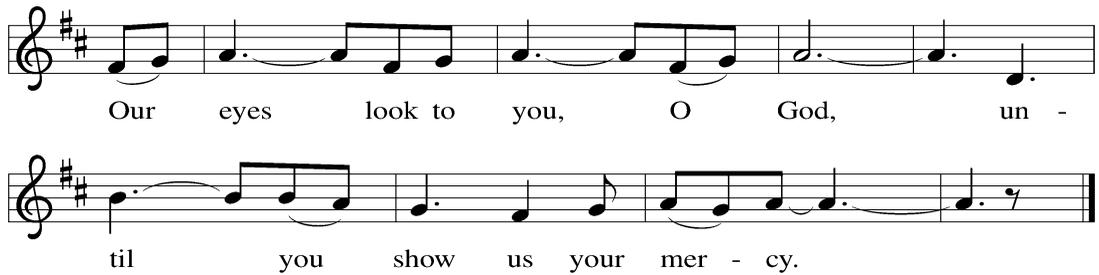
God of the covenant, in our baptism you call us to proclaim the coming of your kingdom. Give us the courage you gave the apostles, that we may faithfully witness to your love and peace in every circumstance of life, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 2:1-5

[A voice] said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you.² And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. ³He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. ⁴The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, “Thus says the Lord GOD.” ⁵Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 123



¹To you I lift | up my eyes,
to you enthroned | in the heavens.

²As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, and the eyes of a maid to the hand | of her mistress,
so our eyes look to you, O LORD our God, until you show | us your mercy. **R**

³Have mercy upon us, O | LORD, have mercy,
for we have had more than enough | of contempt,

⁴too much of the scorn of the in- | dolent rich,
and of the derision | of the proud. **R**

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 12:2-10

²I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. ³And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows—⁴was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. ⁵On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. ⁶But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, ⁷even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. ⁸Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, ⁹but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. ¹⁰Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

+GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

GOSPEL: Mark 6:1-13

The holy gospel according to St. _____, the _____ chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹[Jesus] came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. ²On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, “Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! ³Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?” And they took offense at him. ⁴Then Jesus said to them, “Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house.” ⁵And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. ⁶And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. ⁷He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. ⁸He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; ⁹but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. ¹⁰He said to them, “Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. ¹¹If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.” ¹²So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. ¹³They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

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+PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Growing in faith and discipleship, we give thanks for God’s merciful compassion as we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Lord God, equip all your faithful people for the work of mission. When we are empty-handed, give us partners in ministry. Help us to speak boldly of your promises without reservation or fear. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Lord God, you breathe life into the dust of the earth. Bless the land and all who work it. Bring relief to areas of drought and famine. Send healing rains and cooling breezes to places scorched by sun and heat. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Lord God, when the nations are rebellious, raise up prophets and leaders to proclaim your way of justice. Provide for the needs of refugees, immigrants, asylum seekers, and exiles. Protect all who live in areas of war and conflict. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Lord God, your grace is sufficient to bring wholeness to human weakness. Restore hope to those suffering hardships, persecutions, and calamities. Strengthen all who are fragile in body, mind, or spirit (*especially*). Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Lord God, renew our commitment to the work of hospitality. Help us to offer a caring welcome to visitors and to those returning to the church. Help us to be living examples of your grace and your generosity. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Lord God, you equip disciples throughout the ages to proclaim your kingdom. Lead us by faith until every weakness of this world has been made perfect in the power of your everlasting glory. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Gracious God, we lift to you these prayers and the prayers of our hearts, trusting in your everlasting love and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING

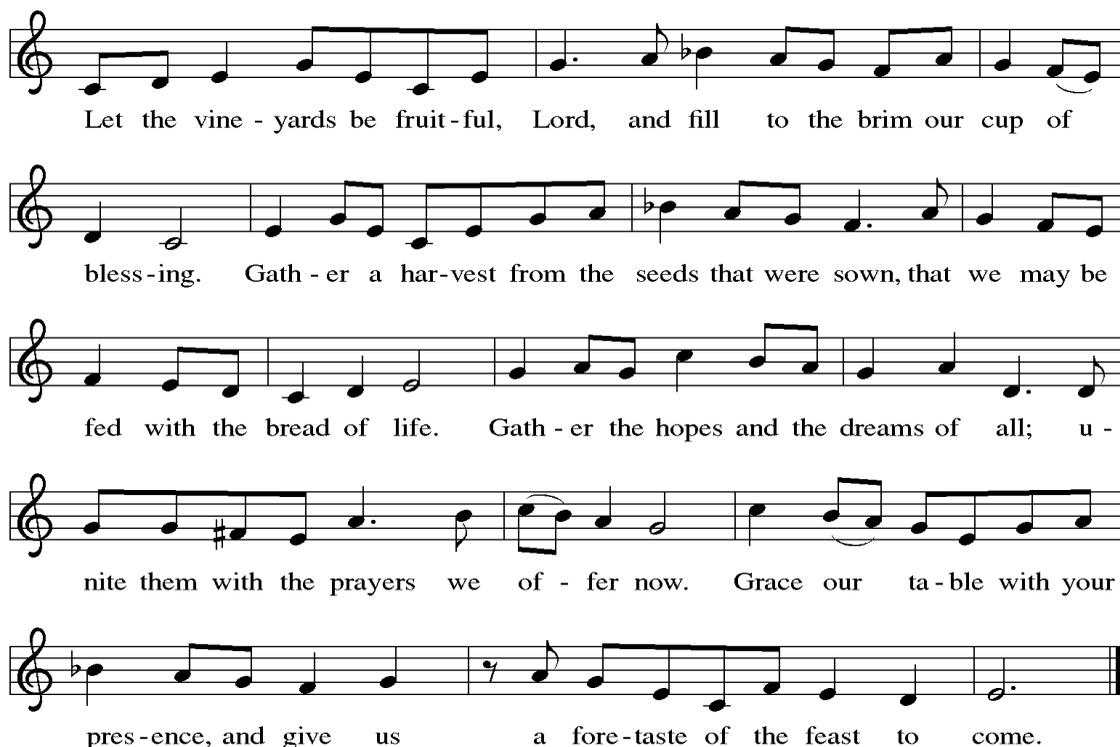
OFFERTORY

“JESUS LOVES ME”

D. PAXTON

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

Offering Song



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 now. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

+ OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Merciful God,

C you open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing. You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it. Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it. We pray this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

+GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. 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.

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The first staff ends with a double bar line, and the second staff begins with a repeat sign. The fourth staff ends with a double bar line.

+THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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 ris-en. Christ will come a - gain.

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.



A - men, a - men, a - men.

LORD'S PRAYER

**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

Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread.

ALL BAPTIZED CHRISTIANS are welcome to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Children may come forward for a blessing. During communion, we offer wine and grape juice, if you would like to receive grape juice do not bring a cup, it will be provided by the Worship Assistant.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

*During the distribution the congregation and choir shall join in singing **Lamb of God***



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;

you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

Please continue singing during distribution of communion the following hymns: ELW 396, 674, 579.

+ POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Jesus Christ, host of this meal, you have given us not only this bread and cup, but your very self, that we may feast on your great love. Filled again by these signs of your grace, may we hunger for your reign of justice, may we thirst for your way of peace, for you are Lord forevermore. **Amen.**

+ BENEDICTION

May God, whose power in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine, grant you the gifts of faith and hope. Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

+ SENDING HYMN

“TO BE YOUR PRESENCE”

ELW 546

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. The Spirit sends us forth to serve.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

“POSTLUDE ON ‘ENGLEBERG”

T. ALBRECHT

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A **LIVING GIFT** has been designated by:

Scott & Michelle McMahan to the Youth Group in honor of son, Derek's birthday.

Music Director
Organist

Nancy Flinner
Jean Brunot

SERVING TODAY:

10:30

Worship Assistant	Open
Lector	Doris Wood
Acolyte	Mackenzie Halfhill
Greeters	JoAnne McMahan
Ushers	Rob & Josh Lipko
Altar Guild	Alice Podolinski
Counters	Jack Gesalman & Jim Stewart

Today we welcome through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, Lilah Grace McGee, daughter of Alan James McGee, Jr. and Victoria Lynn (Kline) McGee.

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF July 8 - 15, 2018

Sunday	10:30 am.	Holy Communion
		W/ELCA Theater "Nonsense"
Monday	6:00 – 8:30 pm.	Brownies
Tuesday	9:00 am.	Brunot - Sanctuary
	12:30 pm.	Parkinson's Support Group
	7:00 pm.	Meals on Wheels Meeting
	7:00 pm.	Books, Games & Scriptures At Lillian Shea's House
Wednesday	7:00 pm.	Troop 416
Friday	9:00 am. – 3:00 pm.	Bridge Club
	5:00 pm. – 9:00 pm.	Family Fun Night
Saturday	5:30 pm.	Holy Communion
Sunday	10:30 am.	Holy Communion

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please be considerate to those around you and observe silence during the prelude and service. This time is designed for personal meditation.

If you would like to include something in the bulletin, please have it to the church office by Wednesday before 12:00 pm. The bulletin is run Wednesday afternoons and folded first thing Thursday Morning. Thank you.

Capital Fund Drive

The congregation's Capital Fund Drive is continuing. Our immediate goal is to raise \$16,200 so we can pay for the air conditioning. So far we have raised \$2,284.00 towards the A-C. Green envelopes marked Building Fund are in the church pews to be used for this purpose. (The blue envelopes for Long Range Initiative will remain in the pews as well as white envelopes for regular offering if you need one.) Please do not confuse the three and please support your church with your continued giving.

On **July 8th W/ELCA** is hosting a summer theatre party to see Nunsense at St. Vincent's College. This is a matinee showing, followed by dinner on your own at Giannilli's II. This promises to be a fun event. Husbands invited as well to share in the fun. Sign up in the Commons Area.

The parking lot is being paved beginning July 9th. If traveling to the church, you will have to park at the front entrance or along the outside of our grounds and walk. Thank you.

Family Fun Night is in one week, Friday, July 13th 5 till 9.

It is sponsored by the Fellowship Committee and Youth Group to benefit both the Youth Groups. We will have a Bounce House, Dunk Tank, Caricatures, Balloon Animals, Sand Art, Big Foot Information, military ATV ride, Games and Prizes, Food, Fire Truck, Bake Sale, Fun and Fellowship! There will be some new games and some old favorites. Games will include putting, duck pond, Bean Bag throw, ping pong toss, ring the flamingo, alligator ring toss, a ball toss, plinko and net ball. We will be seeking volunteers to sell tickets, redeem coins for prizes, manage the games, and sell the food.

We Need Volunteers!!!!!!!!!!

We would like to involve everybody in the church with this event so please sign up on the sheet that is posted by the water fountain and note what you would like to do. If you can contribute to the Bake Sale there is a separate signup sheet. When you sign up please take a teal Thrivent t-shirt from the shelves in Jenny's office. We would like all volunteers to wear one. Thrivent contributed \$250 that was used to rent the Bounce House and the Dunk Tank!!!!

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

CAR SHOW

'Antique, Classic, Street Rods, Special Interest Vehicles & Motorcycles'



SATURDAY, AUGUST 4, 2018

Show: Noon – 4 pm

Registration: 10 am - 12 noon

Awards: 3 pm

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Donations welcome. For more information, to donate or help with registration, please call 724-689-9677 or e-mail baskey6306@yahoo.com

The Car Show is in need of Auction Baskets. If you know of anyone or you yourself would like to donate a basket of goodies, please contact Gail Brown at 724-396-1648. ALL proceeds benefit Tri-City Meals on Wheels.