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Church Services are held on Sundays at 9:00 a.m. and Wednesday evenings at 6 pm.

WELCOME GUESTS

We invite you to sign our guest book and/or complete a visitor card to help us remember you. Please let us know if we can serve you in any way. Everyone is welcome to Holy Communion at Shepherd of the Lakes. Come forward as ushers direct, receive the wafer in your hand and move to the wine which is served in the chalice or individual portions as you prefer. We offer grape juice as an alternative to wine. Gluten-free wafers are also available at your request from communion servers when you partake.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Empowered by the power of the Holy Spirit and rooted in the Good News of Jesus Christ, we are a loving community that follows Jesus & seeks to hear the Word of God and practice it in our daily lives.

For those of you worshipping with us at home – You can mail your donations to: Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church 2903 State HWY 155 PO Box 130 Sayner, WI 54560 Or on the church website – <u>www.shepherdofthelakeschurch.org</u> You can donate through our PayPal account. "Thank you for your continued support of our ministry together."

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I	Recorded Services:
I I	All Sunday services at Shepherd of the Lakes are recorded and put on You Tube.
I	Go to the Church website at
!	www.shepherdofthelakeschurch.org
	and look for the Symbol.
i	Click on this symbol to take you to the Church's YouTube site.
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Readings for July 2, 2023:

First Reading	Jeremiah 20: 7-13
Psalm	69:7-10 [11-15] 16-18
Second Reading	Romans 6: 1b - 11
Holy Gospel	Matthew 10:24-39

God Comes First

God is, the theologians say, transcendent—beyond us, always exceeding our easy grasp. Recognizing God's awesome transcendence brings a reevaluation of other values. The God of vertigo-inspiring infinitude is also the God who know the hairs of our head. Trusting this God, fear is defanged and faith becomes a sort of courage. We live in faithful relationship to the haircounting God as we joyfully "acknowledge" the one who acknowledges us. And as we do so, reveling in the intimacy of God's loving regard for us, other relationships, even familial ones, take on a different cast. God comes first, we realize, not only in priority, but ontologically, "in the beginning." Before the God who is at once gracious and transcendent, we "lose" our lives and discover the true life in following the way of Jesus the crucified Son.

FINANCIAL NOTES:

June 18, 2023	Attendance: 49
General Funds	\$ 1,358.00
Caritas	\$ 235.00
Frederick House	\$ 34.00
Total	\$ 1,627.00

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING:

Today, June 25, at 10:30 a.m.

FOOD PANTRY:

There are a lot of people in our area who depend on the food pantry. Please pick up an extra can or two as you shop and place in the brown basket in the coat room. Thank you!

FELLOWSHIP BRUNCH:

Please join us for coffee and fellowship each Sunday after worship. The second Sunday of each month will be our regular fellowship brunch. Bring a dish to pass as you wish.

CHURCH SERVICES:

Regular Sunday morning services at 9:00 am. and regular Wednesday evening services at 6 pm. Both services offer Holy Communion at every service. All are welcome. The Sunday service will be live-streamed and recorded and available for viewing on YouTube later on Sundays.

CARITAS URGENT DONATION PLEA:

Caritas-Minocqua, serves Vilas and Oneida counties by distributing funds to those in urgent and immediate need of assistance. They are currently experiencing a very high level of need and are in urgent need of donations to continue their work in assisting our community members that are desperate for help. They have two anonymous donors that have offered to match donations, each matching up to \$5,000. Donate now and have your gift matched dollar for dollar! There are pink envelopes available in the Narthex for your donations.

SHEPHERD OF THE LAKES CHOIR:

For anyone who is interested in joining the choir, Beth Von Ende will be directing us and is planning to holding weekly choir practices on Thursdays from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. Please come and join us if you would like to be in the church choir!

ANNUAL PICNIC/PIE & ICE CREAM SOCIAL:

Saturday, July 29, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., the church will hold their Annual Picnic. They will be serving brats, hot dogs, beans, B-B-Q, coleslaw – and their famous Pie & Ice Cream!! Donations will go to World Missions. Contact Joanne Pierce at 414-477-5804 for more information.



PRAYER REQUESTS

(Please note: "Current Issue" listings remain in the bulletin for three weeks and then are removed unless instructions are received to move that listing to the "ongoing health issues" list)

Pray for those dealing with current issues:

LuAnn, Amy, Graham, Tammy, Phyllis, Bob, Beth, and Ken (friend of Laura)

Pray for those with ongoing health issues:

Gus, Larry, Mary Lou, Brian, Lyn, Melody

Pray for those serving in the Armed Forces:

Brian, Adam & Brittany, Brooks, Will, Sgt. Keara, Alex, Jared, Noah, and Zachary.

Pray for those in nursing homes or homebound:

Elisabeth.

Pray for the families of those who have passed:

Please email Bill Wendorf at pastor@SOTLsayner.com or text to 715-617-6477 or email Jean Maines at <u>secretary@SOTLsayner.com</u> if you would like to be included on the prayer chain list. Prayer requests are sent out via email.

Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church

4th Sunday After Pentecost

June 25th, 2023

Greeting & Announcements

Invocation

(Please remain seated.)

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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.

Amen.

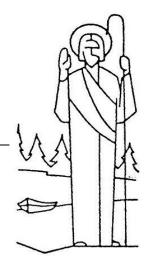
Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive 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.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called 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.

Amen.



Gathering Song

"How Firm A foundation" ELW 796 vs. 1,3,4. (Please stand as you are comfortable) How Firm a Foundation



Text: J. Rippon, A Selection of Hymns, 1787, alt. Music: FOUNDATION, Early American

Opening Dialogue

When the world divides us,

Come, Holy Spirit, make us one.

When the world calls us orphaned,

Come, Holy Spirit, make us family.

When the world leads us astray,

Come, Holy Spirit, call us home.

Come, Holy Spirit, come.

Come and fill this place.

Greeting

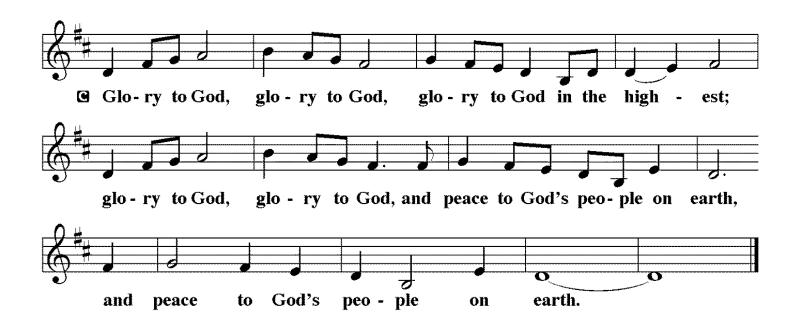
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Hymn of Praise







Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us Pray.....

Teach us,

good Lord God, to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to ask for reward, except that of knowing that we do your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

(*Please be seated*)

First Reading Jeremiah 20:7-13

⁷O LORD, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all day long; everyone mocks me. ⁸For whenever I speak, I must cry out, I must shout, "Violence and destruction!" For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. ⁹If I say, "I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name," then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. ¹⁰For I hear many whispering: "Terror is all around! Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. "Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him, and take our revenge on him." ¹¹But the LORD is with me like a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten. ¹²O LORD of hosts, you test the righteous, you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause. ¹³Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.

The Word of the Lord.... Thanks be to God.

Psalm 69:7-10 [11-15] 16-18

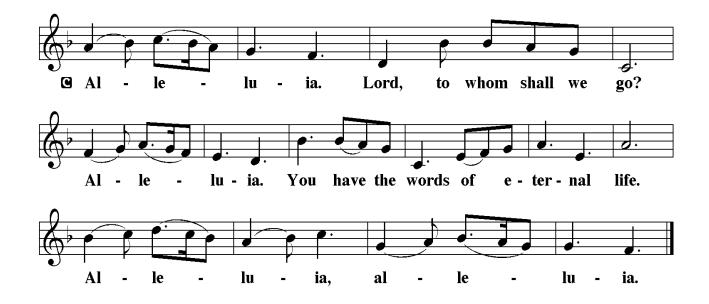
	⁷ Surely, for your sake I have suffered reproach,
	and shame has covered my face.
	⁸ I have become a stranger to my own kindred,
	an alien to my mother's children.
	⁹ Zeal for your house has eaten me up;
	the scorn of those who scorn you has fallen upon me.
	¹⁰ I humbled myself with fasting,
	but that was turned to my reproach.
[¹¹ I put on sackcloth also,
	and became a by-word among them.
	¹² Those who sit at the gate murmur against me,
	and the drunkards make songs about me.
	¹³ But as for me, this is my prayer to you, at the time you have set, O LORD:
	"In your great mercy, O God, answer me with your unfailing help.
	¹⁴ Save me from the mire; do not let me sink;
	let me be rescued from those who hate me and out of the deep waters.
	¹⁵ Let not the torrent of waters wash over me, neither let the deep swallow me up;
	do not let the pit shut its mouth upon me.
	¹⁶ Answer me, O LORD, for your love is kind;
	in your great compassion, turn to me.
	¹⁷ Hide not your face from your servant;
	be swift and answer me, for I am in distress.
	¹⁸ Draw near to me and redeem me;
	because of my enemies deliver me.

Second Reading Romans 6:1b-11

^{1b}Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? ²By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

⁵For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷For whoever has died is freed from sin. ⁸But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. ¹¹So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

The Word of the Lord.... Thanks be to God.



Holy Gospel

The Holy Gospel According to....

Glory to you, O Lord.

Matthew 10:24-39

[Jesus said to the twelve:] ²⁴"A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; ²⁵it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

²⁶"So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. ²⁷What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. ²⁸Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. ³⁰And even the hairs of your head are all counted. ³¹So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

³²"Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; ³³but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

³⁴"Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

³⁵For I have come to set a man against his father,

and a daughter against her mother,

and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law;

³⁶and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

³⁷Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; ³⁸and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. ³⁹Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it."

The Gospel of the Lord.

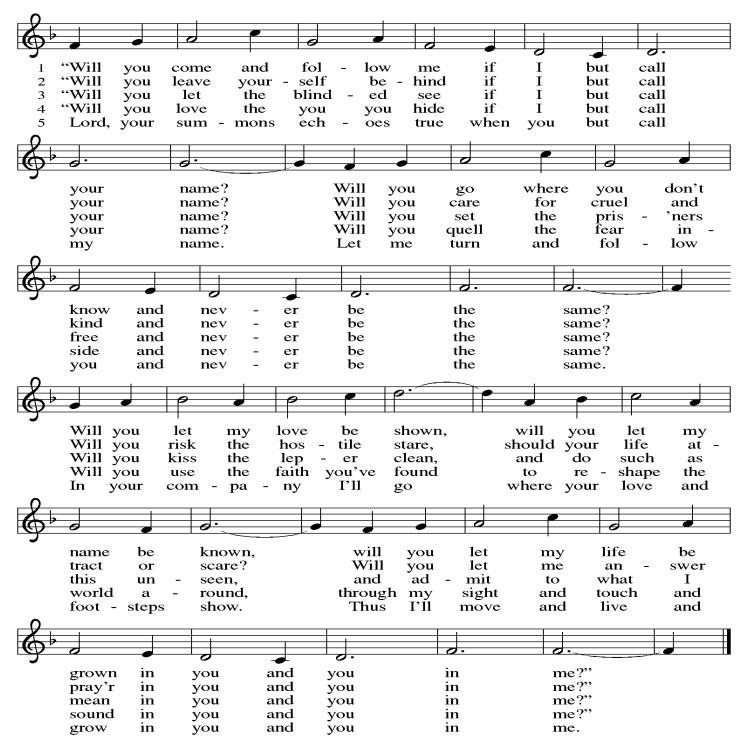
Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

(Please be seated)

(Please stand as you are comfortable)

Will You Come and Follow Me The Summons



Text: John L. Bell, b. 1949
Music: KELVINGROVE, Scottish traditional
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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 the Church

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

(*I invite you to share the peace as you, and your neighbor, are comfortable.*)

Offering

(We will receive our offering today in the traditional manner)

For those of you worshipping with us at home -You can mail your donations to: Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church 2903 State Hwy 155 PO Box 130

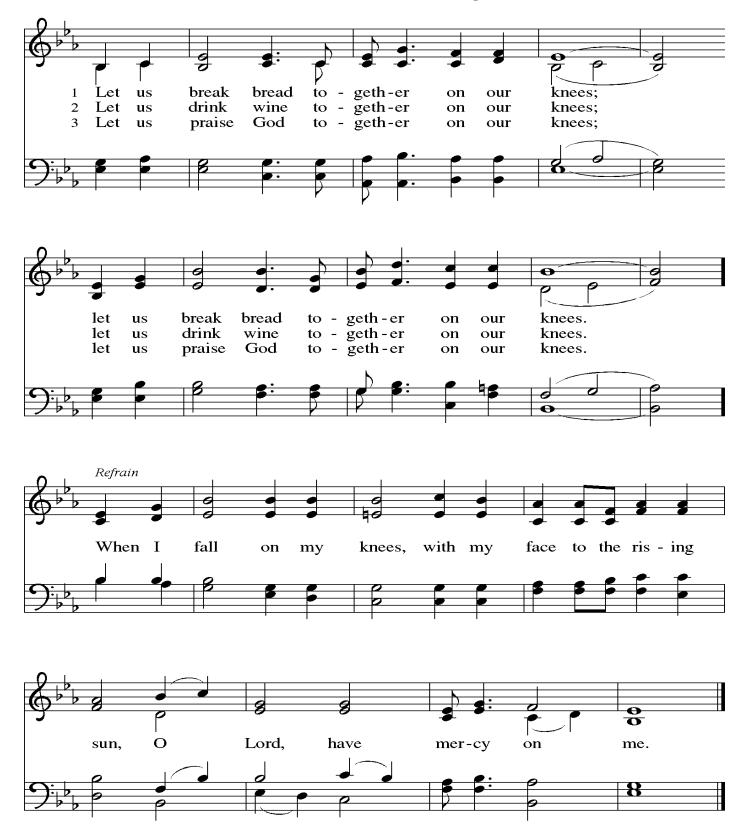
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"Thank you for your continued support of our ministry together."

As our offering is received and the Lord's table is prepared, please join in singing: "ELW 471"

Let Us Break Bread Together



Text: African American spiritual Music: BREAK BREAD TOGETHER, African American spiritual

Presentation of Gifts

Offertory Hynm

(please stand as you are comfortable)



Offertory Prayer

Merciful God,

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.

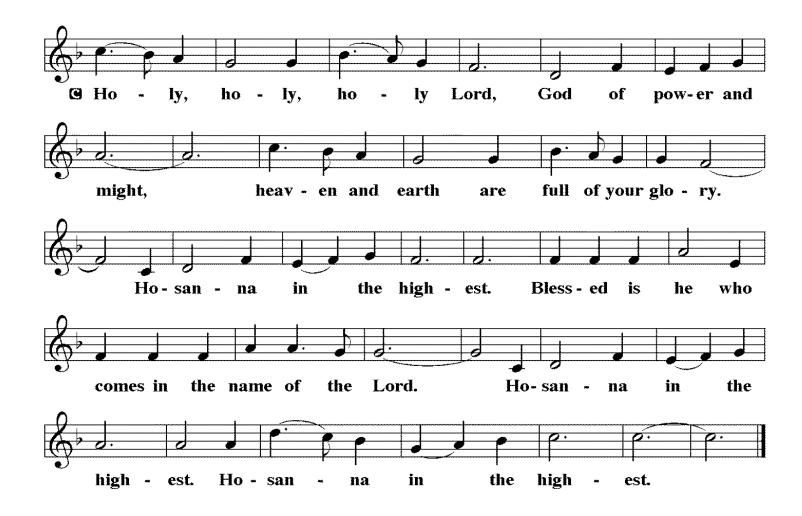
Great Thanksgiving

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.

It is indeed right, our duty, and our joy..... and join their unending hymn:



Words of Institution

Lords 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 the Table

(All are welcome to the Lord's table)

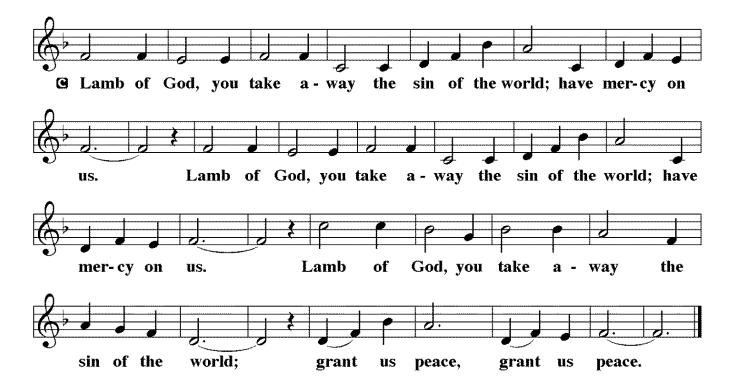
Distribution

(Please come forward as the ushers direct.)

(Children and others not wishing to commune are invited to come forward and receive a blessing.)

Lamb of God

(please be seated)



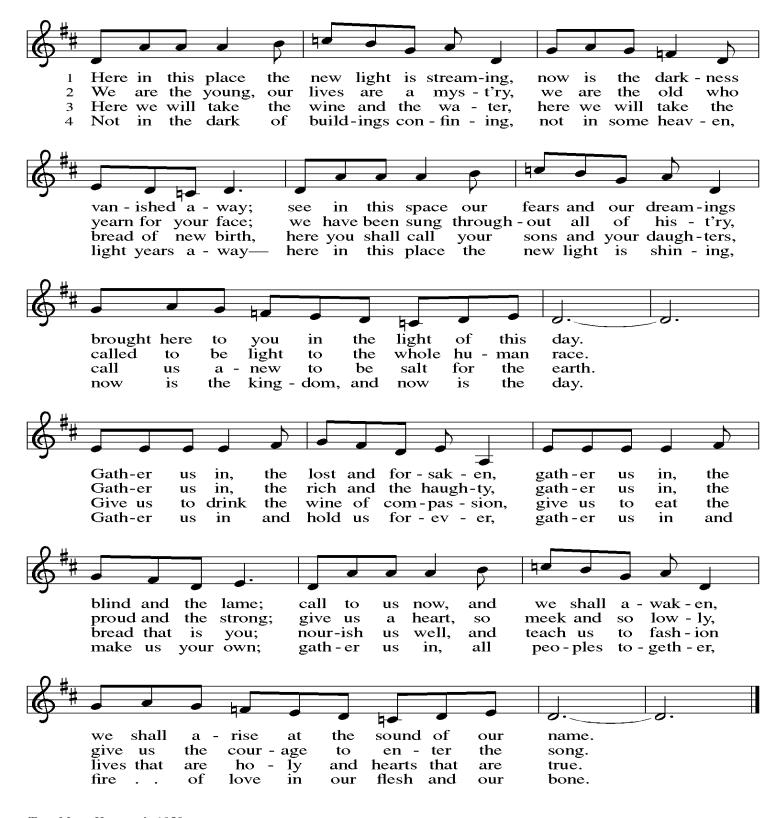
Communion Hymns "Jesus, Keep Me Near The Cross" ELW 335 vs. 1,3,4.

Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross



Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820–1915 Music: NEAR THE CROSS, William H. Doane, 1832–1915

Gather Us In



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Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound



Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, alt., sts. 1–4; anonymous, st. 5 Music: NEW BRITAIN, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835; arr. Edwin O. Excell, 1851–1921, alt.

Communion Blessing

(Please stand as you are comfortable)

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which you have now received, strengthen and keep you in his grace.

Amen

Prayer

We give you thanks,

generous God, for in this bread and cup we have tasted the new heaven and earth where hunger and thirst are no more. Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection, that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name.

Amen.

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. Amen.

Sending Hymn

"Let All Things Now Living" ELW 881 Let All Things Now Living



Text: Katherine K. Davis, 1892–1980, alt. Music: THE ASH GROVE, Welsh folk tune Text © 1939, 1966 E. C. Schirmer Music Company.

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Dismissal

Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please join us for coffee and fellowship after the service.

Second Sunday of each month join us for brunch after the service.

Wednesday	June 28,2023	Worship Service	6:00 p.m.
Thursday	June 29, 2023	Text Study	9:00 a.m.
Thursday	June 29, 2023	Choir Practice	5:30 P.M.
Sunday	July 2, 2023	Choir Practice	8:00 a.m.
Sunday	July 2, 2023	Worship Service	9:00 a.m.

Next Council Meeting:

Today, June 25th, at 10:30 a.m.

Upcoming Events:

Pie & Ice Cream Social/Annual Picnic Thursday, July 29th, 11 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Check our calendar of events on the church website for times and dates of events and worship services.

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