

Sunday, May 22, 2022
Sixth Sunday of Easter
Holy Communion

* stand +kneel

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as people of God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE It Is Well With My Soul

Philip Glass/ arr. Eleanor Whitsett

***GATHERING HYMN**

“When Peace Like a River”

ELW#785

***THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

In the waters of baptism,
we have passed over from death to life with Jesus Christ,
and we are a new creation.
For this saving mystery, and for this water, let us bless God,
who was, who is, and who is to come.

Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister gives thanks.

We thank you, God, for your river of life...

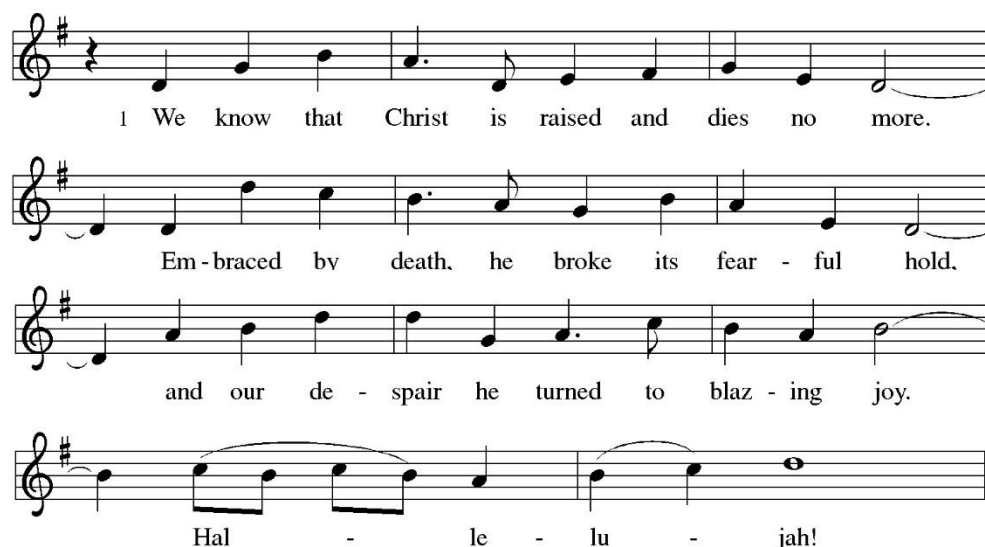
To you, our Beginning and our End,
our Shepherd and Lamb,
be honor, glory, praise, and thanksgiving,
now and forever.

Amen.

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

“We Know that Christ is Raised” ELW #449 verse 1

We Know That Christ Is Raised



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*PRAYER OF THE DAY

The presiding minister leads the prayer of the day.

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

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.

The assembly is seated.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture, reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING: Acts 16:9-15

A vision compels Paul to move his ministry into Greece. There he meets Lydia, an important person in the business community, whose heart has been opened by God to receive the gospel. Her conversion and baptism provide the impetus for the founding of the church at Philippi.

⁹During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, “Come over to Macedonia and help us.” ¹⁰When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

¹¹We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, ¹²and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. ¹³On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. ¹⁴A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. ¹⁵When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, “If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.” And she prevailed upon us.

PSALM: Psalm 67(responsive)

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy. (Ps. 67:4)

¹May God be merciful to | us and bless us;
may the light of God’s face | shine upon us.

²**Let your way be known | upon earth,**
your saving health a- | mong all nations.

³Let the peoples praise | you, O God;
let all the | peoples praise you.

⁴**Let the nations be glad and | sing for joy,**
for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the na- | tions on earth.

⁵Let the peoples | praise you, O God;
let all the | peoples praise you.

⁶**The earth has brought | forth its increase;**
God, our own | God, has blessed us.

⁷May God | give us blessing,
and may all the ends of the earth | stand in awe.

SECOND READING: Revelation 21:10, 22--22:5

John’s vision of a new Jerusalem coming out of heaven provides continuity with God’s past actions. Yet in this new city, God’s presence replaces the temple, and the glory of God and the Lamb supplants sun and moon.

¹⁰And in the spirit [one of the angels] carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

²²I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb.

²³And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. ²⁴The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. ²⁵Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. ²⁶People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. ²⁷But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those

who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

^{22:1}Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb ²through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. ³Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; ⁴they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. ⁵And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

***GOSPEL John 5:1-9**

Jesus performs a healing miracle on the sabbath. In doing so he both reveals divine creative power and teaches a richer, deeper meaning for the sabbath as a healing and creative time.

The gospel is announced.

The holy gospel according to John, the 5th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹After this there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

²Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. ³In these lay many invalids—blind, lame, and paralyzed. ⁵One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. ⁶When 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?” ⁷The 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.” ⁸Jesus said to him, “Stand up, take your mat and walk.” ⁹At once the man was made

well, and he took up his mat and began to walk.

Now that day was a sabbath.

The gospel concludes:

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

***HYMN OF THE DAY**

“Love Divine All Loves Excelling”

ELW#631

***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.**

The assembly kneels or sits.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The prayers are prepared locally for each occasion. The following examples may be adapted or used as appropriate.

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.

Let us pray.

A brief silence.

God of new life, open your church to the unexpected ways your Spirit is at work. Guide bishops, pastors, deacons, and lay leaders in their visioning, partnership, and planning. Surround us with your peace. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Give a vision of increase and abundant harvest for farmers, laborers, and gardeners who are beginning their growing season. Join their efforts with the goodness of creation to feed all living things. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Shine your light of wisdom and peace among nations. When those in power seek to assert dominance over others, confound their ways and make them yield to your humble authority. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Give safe haven to those who seek healing, liberation, or peace (*especially*). Create places filled with hospitality where hurting people find your loving presence and wholeness. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Uphold the work of ministries and organizations in our communities who assist people experiencing homelessness, citizens returning from prison, and all marginalized people (*especially*). Accomplish your will through their efforts. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Assemble your people at rivers, streams, and fonts, where we remember our baptism and welcome others into the communion of saints. Gather us with those who have died (*especially*) when we meet together at your river of life. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

In your mercy, O God, respond to these prayers, and renew us by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
Amen.

***THE PEACE**

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar

words.

OFFERING

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.

During this time, the table is set. You are invited to use your cellphone to text the peace of Christ to someone you missed in church today while the offering is being collected.

After the offering is gathered, the assembly stands.

*OFFERTORY

As the Grains of Wheat

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

Refrain

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

Text: Didache, 2nd cent.; Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: AS THE GRAINS, Marty Haugen

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*OFFERING PRAYER

After the table is set, the assisting minister leads the following prayer.

Let us pray.

Living God,
you gather the wolf and the lamb to feed together
in your peaceable reign,
and you welcome us all at your table.
Reach out to us through this meal,
and show us your wounded and risen body,
that we may be nourished and believe

in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

The assembly is seated.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

***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.

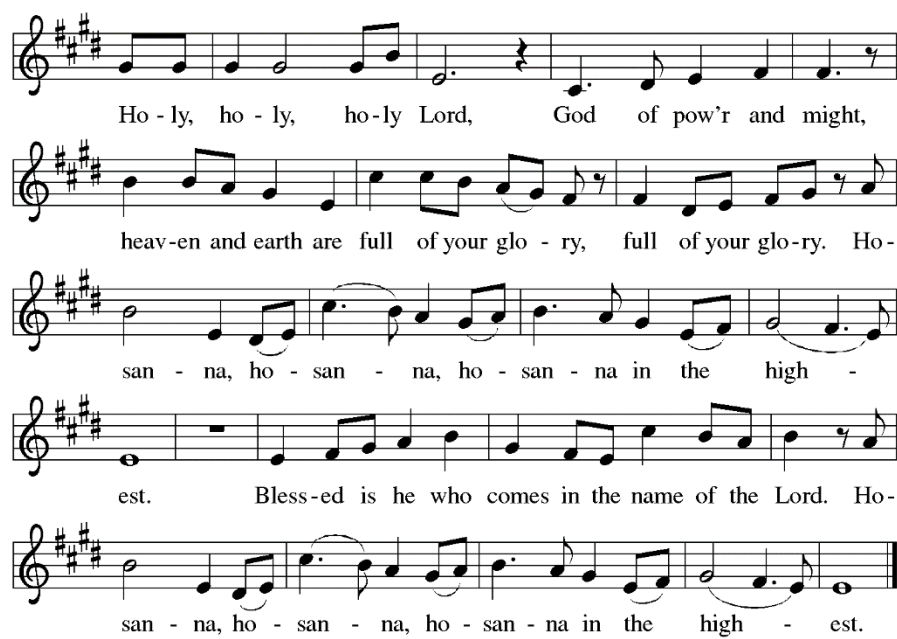
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

***PREFACE**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ,
the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin;
who in dying has destroyed death,
and in rising has brought us to eternal life.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection,
with earth and sea and all their creatures,
and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

***HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**



***THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

Holy, living, and loving God,
 we praise you for creating the heavens and the earth.

We bless you for bringing Noah and his family through the waters of the flood,
 for freeing your people Israel from the bonds of slavery,
 and for sending your Son to be our Redeemer.

We give you thanks for Jesus
 who, living among us, healed the sick, fed the hungry,
 and with a love stronger than death, gave his life for others.

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, therefore, his life-giving death and glorious resurrection,

we await your promised life for all this dying world.

Breathe your Spirit on us and on this bread and cup:

carry us in your arms from death to life, that we may live as your chosen ones,
clothed in the righteousness of Christ.

Through him all glory and honor is yours,

Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church,
both now and forever.

Amen

***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

The risen Christ dwells with us here.

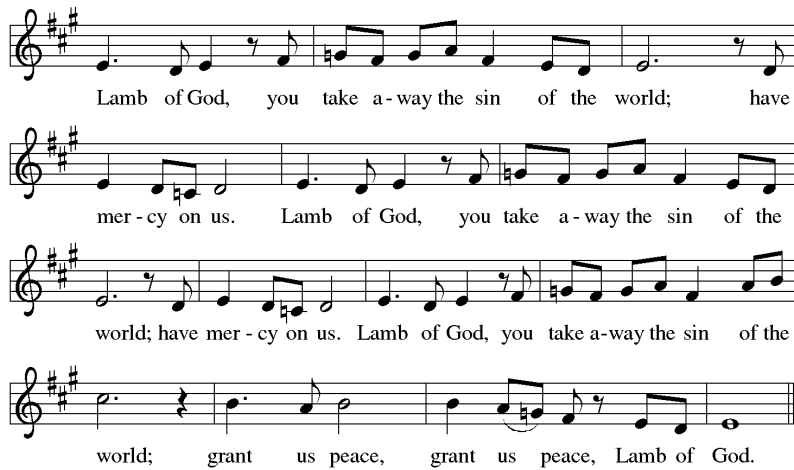
All who are hungry, all who are thirsty, come.

Everyone is welcome at the Lord's table

COMMUNION

All are welcome to the Lord's Table. After the worship assistants have communed, the ushers will direct the congregation to the altar. Please take a glass as you come to the altar. Kneel (or stand) to receive the bread and wine. Return to the pew by the center aisle after placing the empty glass in the tray held by an usher. Children who do not yet receive communion and those who do not wish to receive, may come forward for a blessing.

***COMMUNION SONG**



***TABLE BLESSING**

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

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

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.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

***BLESSING**

God, the Author of life,
Christ, the living Cornerstone,
and the life-giving Spirit of adoption,
✠ bless you now and forever.
Amen.

***SENDING HYMN**

"My Life Flows On in Endless Song"

ELW#763

***DISMISSAL**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.
Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!
Go in peace. Tell what God has done.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Praise The Lord! Ye Heavens Adore Him
Rowland H. Pritchard/ arr. Alamo Smith

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Important Please sign the Friendship Register in your pew. Members with a change of address or visitors should complete the address section and telephone number. Visitors should also include the name and address of their home church so your home church can be notified that you received communion.

Prayer Requests – Please email or call the church office with your prayer requests. First names only will be used in our worship service that is livestreamed. You may give names to Pastor Eileen prior to start of service. Please direct Pastoral care requests in the same way.

Pastoral Coverage –Please call Linda in the Church Office with your request.

UPDATES! We encourage you to wear a mask if you are unvaccinated or are more comfortable doing so while in the building.

Weekly Bulk Mailing of the Bulletin has stopped. The bulletin will continue to be posted on the website and sent via an email blast. If you wish to continue to receive a paper copy of the bulletin, please call the church office. We'd be more than happy to mail you a copy.

Reminder: Hospital visits -The church is NOT informed when someone is in the hospital by the hospital. The person hospitalized or a family member must call the church to let us know they want a pastoral visit. If leaving a message on the answering machine, please remember to leave the hospital name and the room number. Some hospitals will not give the room number to a visitor, expecting you to know that.

Attendance for May 15, 2022 66 physically present, 98 views online, 2 shares as of May 16, 2022.

Sponsoring bulletins and flowers is a great way to honor a special event in your loved ones' lives or to remember a loved one who has died. (Please only two vases of flowers per week.) Flowers are now \$15.00 a vase. If flowers are not sponsored, this is an added cost to the church. The charts are on the bulletin board for 2022. There are many empty spaces on the charts.

Attention please: Please see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board to donate food and/or drinks for snack time during VBS. Thank you!

The Evangelism Committee and Church Council have been receiving a lot of feedback regarding the church newsletter. We recognize the newsletter is a wonderful means of communication for our church. Many individuals have suggested that the newsletter be delivered electronically via email to the members of the congregation. The benefits of electronic delivery are reduced costs for postage, paper, envelopes, printer ink, etc. Electronic delivery is immediate whereas when the newsletter is mailed via the U. S. Postal Service delivery can take several days. Therefore, we are moving to electronic delivery of the newsletter for everyone as of July 1, 2022. Please contact Linda at the church office and provide her with (or confirm) your email address. Similarly, if you prefer to continue receiving the newsletter via the U. S. Postal Service, please contact Linda and she will make this accommodation. We anticipate the number of mailed newsletters will be minimal. A small number of newsletters will be available in the narthex. If you do not provide a preference for newsletter delivery by June 15, 2022, your name and address will be removed from the newsletter mailing list. Please speak to any member of the Evangelism Committee or the Church Council if you have questions.

The church is starting a new program of checking on people who currently live alone. If any persons are interested, or know of anyone interested, in receiving a daily check-in phone call, please contact the office. We are also looking for any persons who would be interested in doing the calling.

Anyone who completed grades 1-12 that are interested in going to Bear Creek Camp in the summer please contact Leah Mullins Bowman.

Attention please: Retired and looking for some fellowship? Can you tie knots? Consider joining the Jolly Quilter's on the first and third Tuesday of every month at 12:30 pm. in the church. No sewing experience necessary. If you can't join them during these days, please consider taking a quilt or two home to tie knots. Good way to keep your hands busy while watching TV at night. Contact the office to make arrangements to learn what to do. Any questions, please see Betty Strauch. This is a vital ministry of Lutheran World Relief and we may have to cease this ministry here at St. Paul's. **We need you!**

Calling all children to get on a roll with God with Food Truck Party Vacation Bible School June 12 through June 16. VBS will be held in the pavilion from 6:30 to 8:30. Children from age 2 and up to those completing 6th grade are invited to join Food Truck VBS. Register for this exciting event by completing the registration form found on the table in the back of the church or the church website. Please register by May 29, 2022.

From May 14th until June 12th the Social Ministry Committee will be sponsoring a collection of paper products for Servants To All. Servants To All is a homeless shelter in Pottsville. Items needed include paper or Styrofoam cups, bowls and plates, plastic ware, paper towels, wipes, small packs of tissues, take out containers, and coffee cups with lids. Any of these items would be appreciated. Please place them in the container in the narthex.

A treasurer is needed for the Schuylkill Haven Council of Churches. Knowledge of Quicken and basic accounting is helpful. The treasurer offers an essential ministry as a community volunteer,

ensuring the food pantry, blood bank, and emergency utility needs are met. 5-10 hours per month. Contact the Rev. Ms. Shawn D. Van Dyke for more information at 570-385-2049 or firstuccpastor@verizon.net.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY FROM LAST WEEK:

Synod/ELCA Benevolence	\$62.00
Local Benevolence	\$153.50
Current	\$2117.10
Capital Building Fund	\$45.00
Initial	\$3.00
Plate Offering	\$35.00
<u>Total Received</u>	<u>\$2415.60</u>

"THE WEEK AT A GLANCE"

Today: 8 and 10:30 am Holy Communion Service

9:15 am Sunday School

Monday: 10 am Prayer Shawl

7 pm Zoom Bible Study

Saturday: 5 pm Spoken Service with Holy Communion

Next Sunday: 8 and 10:30 am Holy Communion Service

9:15 am Sunday School

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Mon: Psalm 93; 1 Chronicles 12:16-22; Revelation 21:5-14

Tues: Psalm 93; 2 Chronicles 15:1-15; Revelation 21:15-22

Wed: Psalm 93; 2 Chronicles 34:20-33; Luke 2:25-38

Thu: Acts 1:1-11; Psalm 47 or Psalm 93; Ephesians 1:15-23; Luke 24:44-53

Fri: Psalm 97; Exodus 33:12-17; Revelation 22:6-9

Sat: Psalm 97; Exodus 33:18-23; John 1:14-18

ASSISTING AT WORSHIP

Greeter: 8 am Paul Fabian **10:30 am**

Acolyte: Chase Maley

8 am Ethan Tracey

Lector: 8 am Marlene Troxell **10:30 am** Holly Maldonado

Ushers: 8 am Paul Fabian

10:30 am Charlene Egan, Holly Maldonado

Counting Team: Mary Lord, Reba Llewellyn

Council Greeter: 5 pm Jennie Raudenbush

8 am Matt Platt **10:30 am** Wendy Reber

Communion Assistants: 5 pm Jennie Raudenbush

8 am Brian Staller **10:30 am** Matt Platt

Church Office Hours: 9 am - 3pm Monday - Friday

Office closed for lunch 12 pm until 12:30 pm

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When Peace, like a River

It Is Well with My Soul



1 When peace like a riv - er at - tend - eth my way, when
2 Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, let
3 He lives— oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought; my
4 Lord, has - ten the day when our faith shall be sight, the



sor - rows like sea bil - lows roll, what - ev - er my lot, thou hast
this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, that Christ hath re - gard - ed my
sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to his cross and I
clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the trum - pet shall sound and the



taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.
help - less es - tate, and hath shed his own blood for my soul.
bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
Lord shall de - scend; e - ven so it is well with my soul.

Refrain



It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.

Text: Horatio G. Spafford, 1828–1888

Music: VILLA DU HAVRE, Philip P. Bliss, 1838–1876

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling



1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heav'n, to
2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - 'ry
3 Come, Al-might - y, to de - liv - er; let us all thy
4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion, pure and spot - less



earth come down! Fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy
trou - bled breast; let us all in thee in - her - it; let us
life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -
let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -



faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,
find thy prom - ised rest. Take a - way the love of sin - ning;
more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing,
ly re - stored in thee! Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,



pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as
serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee
till in heav'n we take our place, till we cast our



thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.
its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788

Music: HYFRYDOL, Rowland H. Prichard, 1811–1887

My Life Flows On in Endless Song



- 1 My life flows on in end - less song; a - bove earth's lam-en - ta - tion,
- 2 Through all the tu - mult and the strife, I hear that mu - sic ring - ing.
- 3 What though my joys and com-forts die? The Lord my Sav-ior liv - eth.
- 4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a foun - tain ev - er spring-ing!



I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn that hails a new cre - a - tion.
It finds an ech - o in my soul. How can I keep from sing-ing?
What though the dark - ness gath-er round? Songs in the night he giv - eth.
All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from sing-ing?

Refrain



No storm can shake my in-most calm while to that Rock I'm cling-ing.



Since Christ is Lord of heav-en and earth, how can I keep from sing-ing?

Text: Robert Lowry, 1826–1899

Music: HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING, Robert Lowry, alt.