## **HOLY COMMUNION Seventh Sunday of Easter**

May 21, 2023 8:00 am and 10:30 am

#### INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

In these days between Ascension and Pentecost, we gather with the disciples in the upper room, waiting for the Spirit to transform the church around the world. In today's gospel Jesus prays for his followers and for their mission in his name. Amid religious, social, and economic divisions, we seek the unity that Jesus had with his Father. Made one in baptism, we go forth to live our faith in the world, eager for the unity that God intends for the whole human family.

#### SILENT PRAYER

PRELUDE: Alleluia, Sing to Jesus Mitchell-Wallace

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

**GATHERING (ENTRANCE RITE)** 

Stand

**HYMN:** Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

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## Alleluia! Sing to Jesus





## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (ABSOLUTION)**

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism.

- **P** In the name of the Father, and of the **→** Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- **G** Amen.

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

#### Kneel/Stand

- **P** 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 and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ♣ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

#### Stand

#### **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.**





#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, your Son our Savior is with you in eternal glory. Give us faith to see that, true to his promise, he is among us still, and will be with us to the end of time; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Later service only:

CHILDREN'S SERMON

#### LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Acts 1:6-14

Today's reading is part of the introduction to the narrative of the outpouring of the Spirit on Pentecost. These verses tell of the risen Lord's conversation with his disciples on the eve of his ascension, in which he promises that they will receive the power of the Holy Spirit.

## A reading from Acts.

<sup>6</sup>When [the apostles] had come together, they asked [Jesus], "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" <sup>7</sup>He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. <sup>8</sup>But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." <sup>9</sup>When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. <sup>10</sup>While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. <sup>11</sup>They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

<sup>12</sup>Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. <sup>13</sup>When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. <sup>14</sup>All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

- **A** The word of the Lord.
- **G** Thanks be to God.

#### Later service only.

PSALM 68:1-10, 32-35 (The congregation's verses are printed in bold font.)

<sup>1</sup>Let God arise, and let his ene- | mies be scattered;

let those who hate him | flee before him.

<sup>2</sup>Let them vanish like smoke when the wind drives | it away;

as the wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at the pres-| ence of God.

<sup>3</sup>But let the righteous be glad and rejoice | before God;

let them also be mer- | ry and joyful.

<sup>4</sup>Sing to God, sing praises to his name; exalt him who rides up- | on the heavens;

YAHWEH is his name, re- joice before him!

<sup>5</sup>Father of orphans, defend- | er of widows,

God in his holy | habitation!

<sup>6</sup>God gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners | into freedom; but the rebels shall live | in dry places.

<sup>7</sup>O God, when you went forth be- i fore your people, when you marched through the wilderness,

<sup>8</sup>the earth shook, and the skies poured down rain, at the presence of God, the | God of Sinai,

at the presence of God, the God of Israel.

<sup>9</sup>You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon | your inheritance; you refreshed the land when | it was weary.

<sup>10</sup>Your people found their | home in it;

in your goodness, O God, you have made provision | for the poor.

<sup>33</sup>Sing to God, O kingdoms | of the earth; sing praises | to the Lord.

<sup>34</sup>He rides in the heavens, the | ancient heavens;

he sends forth his voice, his | mighty voice.

<sup>35</sup>Ascribe pow- | er to God;

his majesty is over Israel; his strength is | in the skies.

<sup>36</sup>How wonderful is God in his | holy places,

the God of Israel giving strength and power to his people!  $^{\parallel}$  Blessed be God!

#### SECOND READING

1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

Our faith in Christ does not make us immune from the scorn of others. Nevertheless, we are to resist the designs of evil when we experience disparagement from others because we trust God's grace will strengthen and guide us.

### **A** A reading from First Peter.

<sup>12</sup>Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. <sup>13</sup>But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. <sup>14</sup>If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

<sup>5:6</sup>Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. <sup>7</sup>Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. <sup>8</sup>Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. <sup>9</sup>Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. <sup>10</sup>And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. <sup>11</sup>To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

- **A** The word of the Lord.
- **G** Thanks be to God.

#### Stand

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

The congregation sings the Acclamation.



The choir sings the First Verse.



Christ being raised from the dead will never | die again; death no longer has dominion | over him.

The congregation repeats the Acclamation.



The choir sings the Second Verse.



I will not | leave you orphaned; I am com | ing to you.

The congregation repeats the Acclamation.



GOSPEL John 17:1-11

On the night before his crucifixion, Jesus prays to his heavenly Father, asking that those who continue his work in this world will live in unity.

P The holy gospel according to John.

#### Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>After Jesus had spoken these words [to his disciples], he looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, <sup>2</sup>since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. <sup>3</sup>And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. <sup>4</sup>I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. <sup>5</sup>So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

<sup>6</sup>"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. <sup>7</sup>Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; <sup>8</sup>for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. <sup>9</sup>I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. <sup>10</sup>All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. <sup>11</sup>And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one."

- P The gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit

SERMON Pastor Weleck

#### Stand

Later service only:

**HYMN OF THE DAY:** Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing Printed on the next page.

# Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!



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#### NICENE CREED

The Nicene Creed is appropriate during Advent, Christmas, Easter, and on festival days; the Apostles' Creed during Lent and at other times.

- **P** With the whole church, let us confess our faith.
- We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge
the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

- With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.
- We pray for the church, for its pastors and other ministers, for the newly baptized, for all the faithful, for this congregation here gathered, and for our growth in grace.

  Lord, in your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- We pray for all nations, for all rulers, legislators, and judges, for an increase of justice in our lands, and for all who work for peace among nations and among peoples.

  Lord, in your mercy,
- **©** hear our prayer.
- We pray for all in any need, for the hungry and the homeless, for victims of war and injustice, for prisoners, for all who suffer in mind, body, or spirit, for the sick and infirm, for all with incurable illness, and for all who this day will die. We pray especially for those we name in the silence of our hearts... Lord, in your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- We pray for the members of our armed forces wherever they serve, and especially when they serve in harm's way, that they might speedily complete their mission and be safely reunited with their loved ones.

  Lord, in your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
- C Amen.

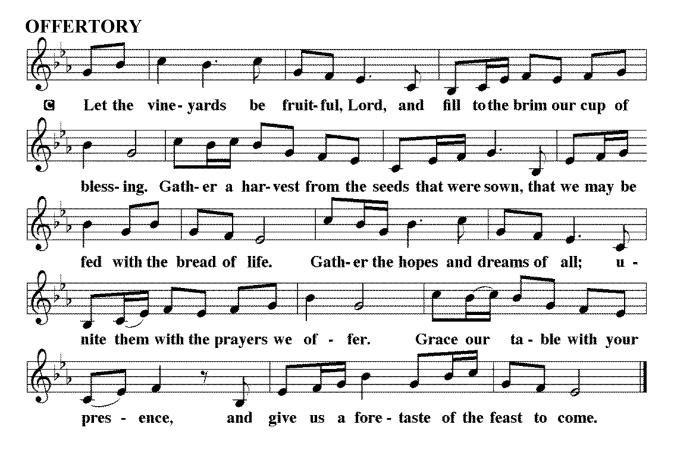
#### **PEACE**

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **C** And also with you.

Worshippers do not greet one another. The service continues with the Offertory.

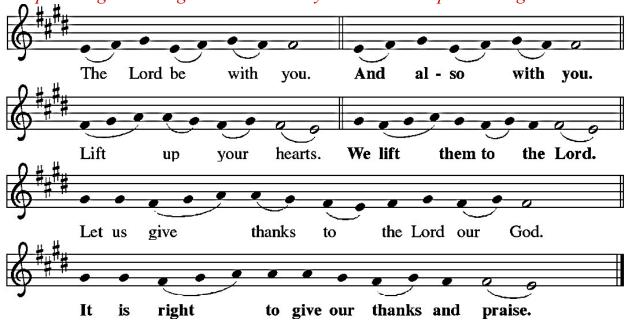
#### LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR

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#### **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

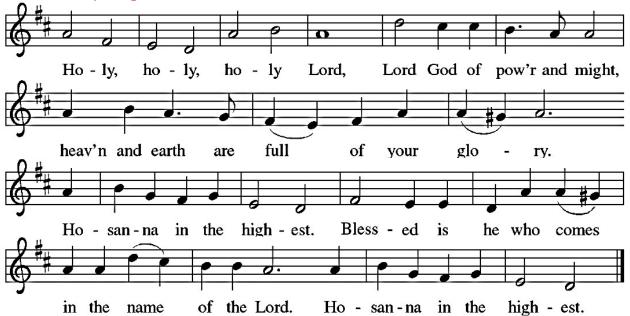
The presiding minister greets the assembly and invites all present to give thanks:



#### The minister continues with the PROPER PREFACE:

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... *Here the minister continues with the preface for the day, concluding:* ...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

The assembly sings the SANCTUS:



The WORDS OF INSTITUTION are sung to the music Blessed Martin Luther himself composed specifically for this purpose.

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.

#### LORD'S PRAYER

- P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray.
- 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

- Behold the Lamb of God,behold him who takes away the sins of the world.Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.
- Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

#### Sit

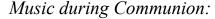
#### **COMMUNION**

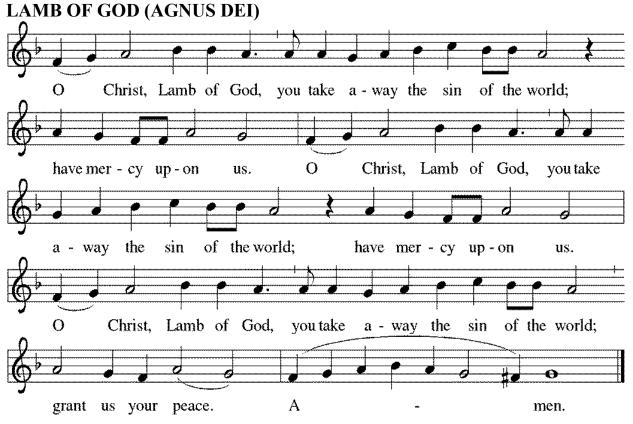
When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say
The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

and each person may respond

Amen.

We Lutherans believe that the Body and Blood of Christ are "truly and substantially" present "in, with, and under" the forms of bread and wine. We invite to the communion all who are baptized and communing in this or another Christian denomination. We welcome children and others who are not communing to come forward for a blessing.





## Later service only:

**ANTHEM:** The Festal Day Is Here

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The festal day is here; throw off all fear and gloom, for Christ is risen. This day brings hope and cheer, for death is conquered, life forever is won. The winter's past, the spring is here, all earth reflects the joy! The dark of night is gone, so come let us be joyful!

The cross was not in vain, for there the Son of God redeemed all sinners. A crown of thorns he bore, but rose to be the King of Kings forever. The winter's past, the spring is here, all earth reflects the joy! The dark of night is gone, so come let us be joyful!

From humblest birth he came by word and deed he lived on earth among us. In God's own image blessed, the Holy One, the Lord and Savior of all. The winter's past, the spring is here, all earth reflects the joy! The dark of night is gone, so come let us be joyful! Alleluia!

#### Stand

#### **BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION**

- The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C Amen.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

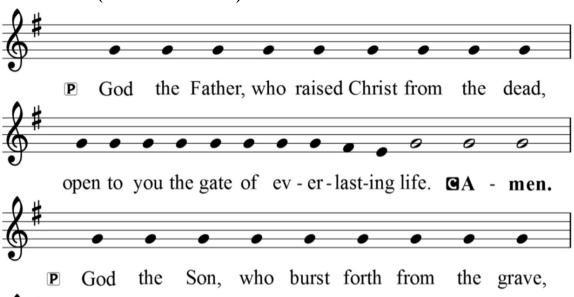
We give you thanks, almighty God,
that you have refreshed us
through the healing power of this gift of life.
In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift,
in faith toward you
and in fervent love toward one another;

for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

#### **SENDING**

## **BLESSING (BENEDICTION)**



give you joy as you celebrate his re-sur-rection. GA-men.



#### **DISMISSAL**

**A** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**HYMN:** Crown Him with Many Crowns

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## **Crown Him with Many Crowns**



#### **OFFERING**

The offering will be collected as you leave the Church.

**POSTLUDE:** Crown Him with Many Crowns

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**The Easter Cycle** celebrates the events surrounding our Lord's passion, death, and resurrection. Beginning with Ash Wednesday, the Easter Cycle includes the Lenten season, Holy Week, and the Easter Season. This cycle concludes with the Day of Pentecost, as the culmination of the resurrection through the coming of the Holy Spirit to Christ's followers.

**The Paschal Candle,** symbolic of our Lord's resurrection, is positioned on the Gospel side of the altar and is lighted at all services during the Easter season (up to and including the Day of Pentecost).

**The liturgical color white,** symbolic of purity, joy, and the light of Christ, is used on the festivals of Christ. Gold is a more festive version of white.

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#### Worship Assistants

Ushers: Pat O'Hara, Mike Beattie, Matt Vera, and Dick Allebach

Elevator Attendant: Mike Taylor Lectors: 8:00 am: Laurie Mueller

10:30 am Lessons: Martha Kriebel Prayers: Connor Elison

Acolyte: Arianna Judisch

Communion Assistant: Sherry Jessee

Altar Guild: 8:00 am: Debra Augustine and Sally Sweeney

10:30 am: Jim Lien, Mike Van Blaricum, and Marie Conver

Offering Tabulation: John Kochel, Sherry Jessee, and Shane Elison

Video Production: Jim Lien, Jeannie Funk, Chilly Lyaro, or Jonathan Mueller

<u>The Flowers that Adorn the Altar</u> are given to the glory of God by John and Charlotte Wentworth in honor of our 40<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

<u>The Sanctuary Candle</u> is given to the glory of God by Laurien Mueller in memory of choir members Tom Lachenmayer (d. 5/30/17), Dave Phillips (d. 5/12/18), Anne Lachenmayer (d. 1/26/21), and Alan Shunk (d. 5/7/22)

<u>The Worship Bulletins</u> are given to the glory of God by Mrs. Marie Conver in loving memory of husband, Lawrence L. Conver, Jr.

The annual "Old Church Sunday" service will be on Sunday, June 11, 2023 at 9:30 am in the Old Church. Our good friend, the Rev. Dr. Karl Krueger will inspire us with his sermon. Following the service there will be a sit-down luncheon and presentation in Fellowship Hall. The Rev. Dr. Karl Krueger will delight us with his presentation on "A Funeral and a Feud".



We hope to see you at the one service on Old Church Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am and for the presentation afterwards. Feel free to invite friends and neighbors to join you for this wonderful event.



## Planning your summer?

Don't forget to schedule time for your kids to attend Vacation Bible School at Augustus!

VBS begins Monday, June 26<sup>th</sup> and will run from 9-12 every day until Thursday, June 29th. Come with us on the Discovery on Adventure Island: Quest for God's Great Light! Register NOW through the link on our website or pick up a registration form in the lower narthex at the bottom of the stairs.



2023 One Dream Mission Team

# 9th Annual Golf Outing

Friday
June 2, 2023
1:00 P.M.
Shot Gun Start

Butter Valley Golf Port

3243 Gehman Road Barto PA

One Dream Mission Team

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Augustus Lutheran (Trappe, PA) Tournament Information

Friday, June 2, 2023 12:00 registration 1:00 Shot Gun Start 4-Person Scramble Format

Butter Valley Golf Port

\$90 per golfer Greens fees, cart, food at turn, beverages, soda, water, steak dinner and gift bags

Dinner Only \$40 (6:30 PM) Can't join us for golf? Then please join us for the dinner and festivities.

#### Contests

Closest to the Pin Longest Drive (Men) Longest Drive (Women) Straightest Drive 50/50 Pot of Gold Putting Contest Raffles and Auction

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Cleaning up

debris from

building fire

The goal of our Mission Group is to help families improve their everyday lives by making needed improvements and modifications to their homes. At the same time, teaching the teenagers in the group, valuable skills that they can use throughout their lives. The Mission Group includes teenagers, as young as 8th grade, and adults from three churches. We have come together as one group to share this dream with families in need.

Removing nails from roof, replacing with screws



Using power tools to repair deck







2022 Mission Group
First United Church of Christ and
Trinity Lutheran Church—Quakertown, PA
Augustus Lutheran Church—Trappe, PA



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#### Raffle/Auction Donation

All items donated will be used for our Raffle/Auctions

\*\*\* All Sponsors will be able to provide promotional materials to be placed in each golfer's gift bag.

#### REGISTRATION FORM

Mail this form and check to: First UCC—Mission Group 151 S. 4th Street, Quakertown, PA 18951

\$90 per golfer Register by May 21, 2023

\*Checks must be sent with your entry form to hold your spot and be made payable to: First UCC—Mission Group.

#### Contact:

Linda Friday at missiontrips@firstucc.net or call 215-538-0328

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# 2023 Gathering Registration Form - Women of the ELCA Southeastern Pennsylvania Synodical Women's Organization

# Celebrate!

'Shout to the Lord, all the earth. Serve the Lord with joy; come before him with singing. The Lord is good. His love is forever, and his faithfulness continues through all generations.' Psalm 100: 1-2, 5

Join us as we celebrate our Lutheran heritage and history. Our gathering is being held at Augustus Lutheran Church, the oldest unaltered Lutheran Church in America, and we will have an opportunity to learn more as we visit 'the Old Church'. We will also hear from Amanda Bryant with Gemma Services/Martin Luther School, which was the first Lutheran Orphanage in the Delaware Valley, originally founded as the Lutheran Home in Germantown.

Our annual gathering will be held Saturday, June 3, 2023 Registration starts at 9:00 a.m. Gathering from 9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at Augustus Lutheran Church 717 West Main Street Trappe, PA 19426 Phone: (610) 489-9625

In support of Gemma Services, we are asking participants to donate socks (adult sizes) and underwear (Youth sizes L and XL or Adult sizes S and M) as an in-kind gift.

Registration and lunch fee is \$30.00/\$20.00 for students. Please enclose a check made payable to 'Women of the ELCA – SEPA'.

Name			
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Congregation/City			
I am a first time participant	_	I am a W/ELCA participant	
I am a visitor	_	I am a SWO Board Member	
I am 18 years or younger/and	or a college st	tudent (ONLY \$20!!!)	

Please return this completed form along with your registration fee before May 26, 2023 to: Carolyn Edwards

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