#### HOLY COMMUNION First Sunday in Lent

#### March 6, 2022

8:00 & 10:30 AM

#### **INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY**

In this service in our series *In View of God's Mercy*, we look at our lives through the lens of God's love toward us in the sacrifice of his Son, Jesus. In this service, we recall that in the midst of temptation, our merciful God provides us with a way out through Christ, who was tempted just as we are, yet without sin.

#### SILENT PRAYER

**PRELUDE:** *Prelude and Fugue in E Minor* 

Bruhns

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape. (1 Corinthians 10:13)

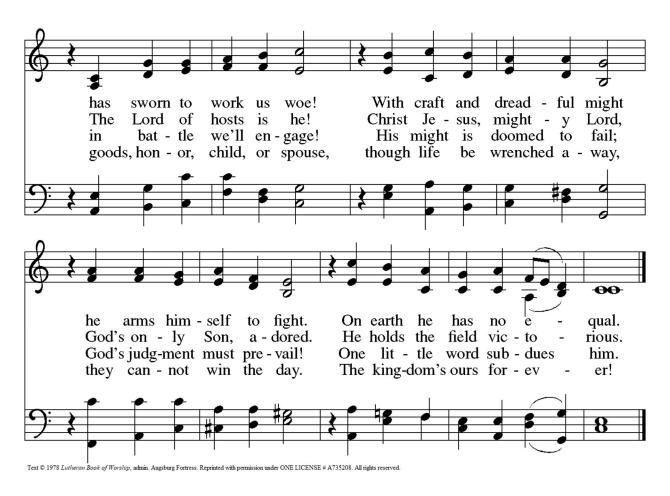
#### **GATHERING (ENTRANCE RITE)**

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**HYMN:** A Mighty Fortress Is Our God Printed on the next page.

# A Mighty Fortress Is Our God





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

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

- 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.

#### **C** Amen.

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

#### Kneel/Stand

**P** Most merciful God,

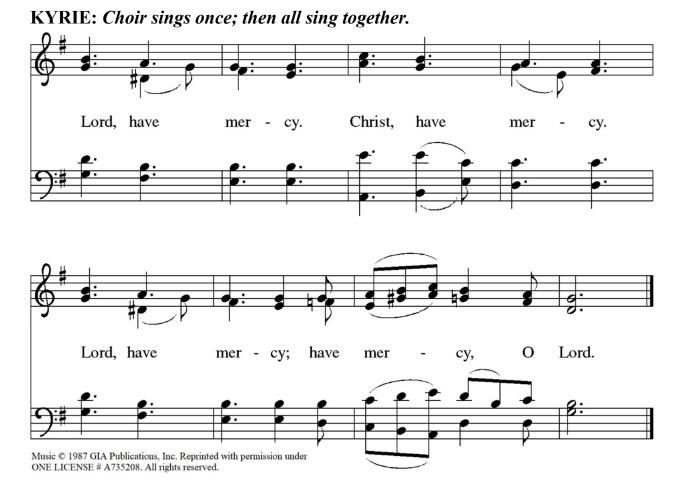
we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.
We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, 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.

**G** Amen.

#### **Stand** GREETING

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



## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P** Let us pray.

Gracious Lord, as we continue our Lenten pilgrimage, we do so in view of your mercy. We are surrounded by all kinds of temptations to sin. Strengthen us by your Holy Spirit so that we resist temptation and instead do what pleases you. We pray through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**G** Amen.

Sit

#### LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 6:4-6

**A** reading from Deuteronomy.

Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart.

**A** The word of the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

#### Later service only:

**PSALM 91:1-2, 9-16** (*The congregation's verses are in bold face type.*) <sup>1</sup>He who dwells in the shelter of <sup>|</sup> the Most High, abides under the shadow of | the Almighty. <sup>2</sup>He shall say to the Lord, "You are my refuge | and my stronghold, my God in whom I | put my trust." <sup>9</sup>Because you have made the | Lord your refuge, and the Most High your | habitation, <sup>10</sup>there shall no evil hap-<sup>1</sup> pen to you, neither shall any plague come | near your dwelling. <sup>11</sup>For he shall give his angels charge | over you, to keep you in | all your ways. <sup>12</sup>They shall bear you | in their hands, lest you dash your foot a- | gainst a stone. <sup>13</sup>You shall tread upon the lion | and the adder; you shall trample the young lion and the serpent un- | der your feet. <sup>14</sup>Because he is bound to me in love, therefore will I de- | liver him; I will protect him, because he | knows my name. <sup>15</sup>He shall call upon me, and I will | answer him; I am with him in trouble; I will rescue him and bring him to honor. <sup>16</sup>With long life will I sat-<sup>1</sup> isfy him, and show him | my salvation.

#### **SECOND READING**

1 Corinthians 10:6013

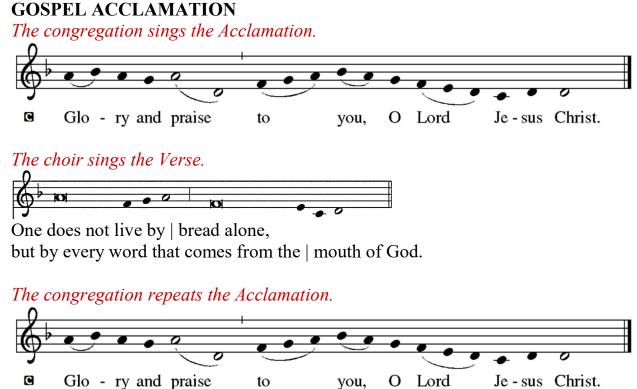
**A** reading from First Corinthians.

Now these things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play." We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents, nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer. Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come. Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

**A** The word of the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

#### Stand



### GOSPEL

**P** The holy gospel according to Matthew.

## G Glory to you, O Lord.

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. And after fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. And the tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." But he answered, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."" Then the devil took him to the holy city and set him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone."" Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test." Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. And he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." Then Jesus said to him, "Be gone, Satan! For it is written, 'You shall worship the Lord your God and him only shall you serve." Then the devil left him, and behold, angels came and were ministering to him.

**P** The gospel of the Lord.

## **O** Praise to you, O Christ.

## **Sit**

**SERMON:** *Mercy in Temptation* 

- I. Temptation is Persistent
- II. Temptation is Progressive
- III. Victory over Temptation is Possible

## Stand

Later service only: HYMN OF THE DAY: Go to Dark Gethsemane Printed on the next page.

## Go to Dark Gethsemane



## Stand

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

#### NICENE CREED

- **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

Almighty and merciful God, we approach your throne of grace today as those who are prone to wander into sin because of the temptations of the evil one.

#### **C** Lord, have mercy.

A When we face the temptations of the devil—who entices us to doubt and deny your true Word—keep our eyes on Jesus who conquered Satan in the wilderness and on the cross.

#### **C** Lord, have mercy.

A When we face the temptations of the flesh—our sinful appetites and lusts—keep our eyes on Jesus who lived purely as our substitute and Savior.

#### **C** Lord, have mercy.

- A When we face the temptations of the world—our sinful pride and the quest for more possessions—keep our eyes on Jesus who provides for all we need in this life and the life to come.
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- A When temptations come alluring, make us patient and enduring.
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- A We praise you that you are faithful and that with every temptation you provide a way of escape.
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- Fill us with your Spirit so that we will say no to sin and yes to righteousness.
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **A** Lead us away from temptation and deliver us from evil.
- **C** Lord, grant me your grace both to will and to do what pleases you.
- P All these things we pray in the name of Jesus, who triumphed over temptation.
- **C** Amen.

#### LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR

*The Offering will be collected in the Narthex as you leave the church.* **OFFERTORY** 



#### **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

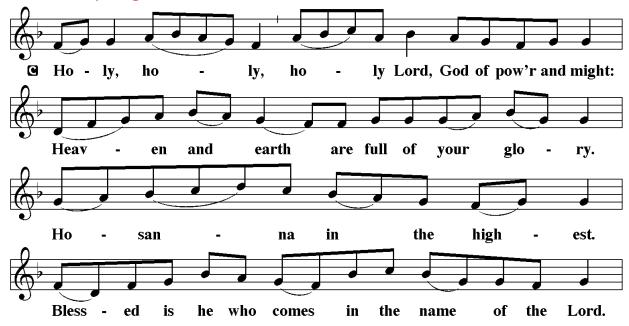


The presiding minister greets the assembly and invites all present to give thanks:

The minister continues with the PROPER PREFACE:

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

The assembly sings the SANCTUS:



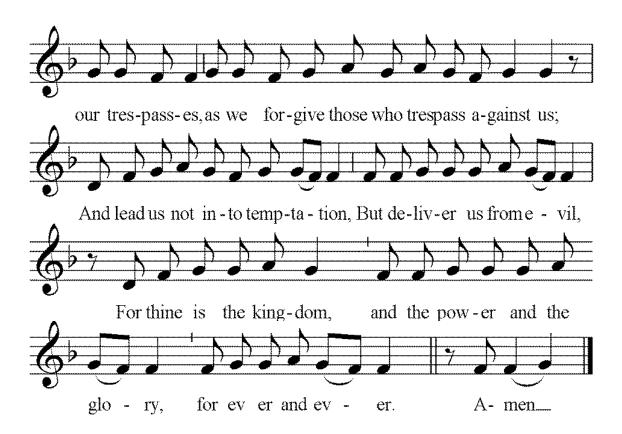


The WORDS OF INSTITUTION are sung to the music Blessed Martin Luther himself composed specifically for this purpose.

 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.





#### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

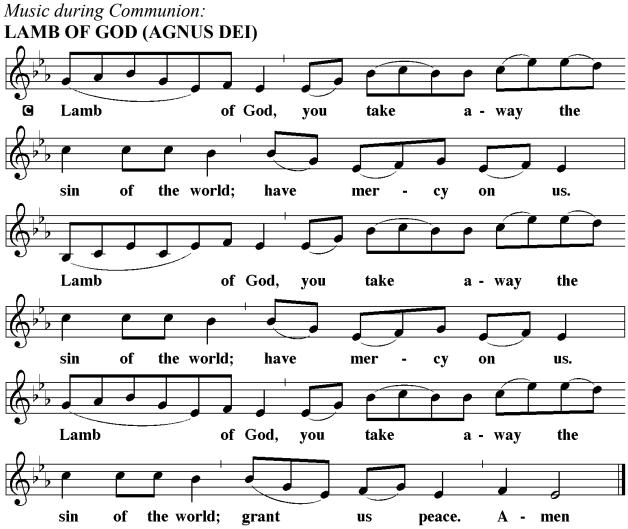
- Behold the Lamb of God,behold him who takes away the sins of the world.Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.
- Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

#### *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

R 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.



**ANTHEM:** On Eagle's Wings

Joncas/Wagner

The text can be found in the ELW (Cranberry) Hymnal, #787

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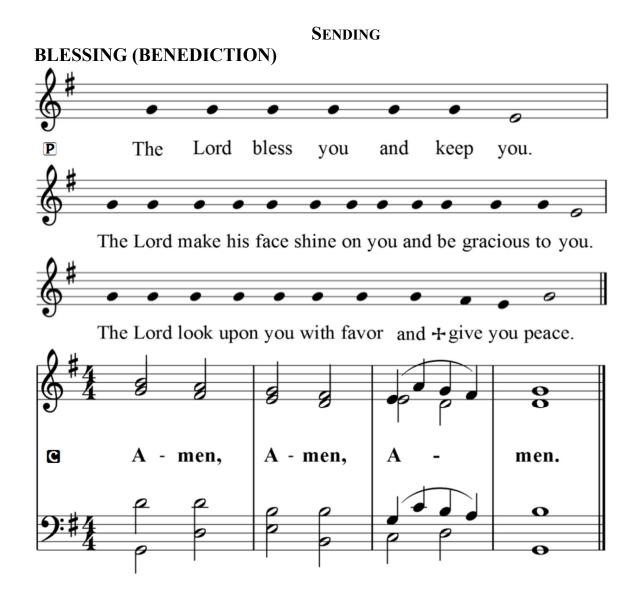
#### **BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION**

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

**G** Amen.



#### DISMISSAL

- **A** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- **G** Thanks be to God.

#### HYMN: Jesus, Still Lead On O· A Ο σ Je - sus, still lead on, till our rest be won; and, al-though the 1 2 if the foe be If the way be drear, no faith - less near, let When we seek from a long-felt 3 re lief grief, when temp-ta - tions 4 Je - sus, still lead on, till our rest be won; heav'n-ly lead - er, be cheer - less, we will fol - low, calm and fear - less; way fears o'er-take let not faith and hope for - sake us, us; and en - dur come al - lur make us pa - tient ing ing; still di - rect us, still sup - port, con sole, pro - tect us, O٠ 0. 0 $\mathbf{\overline{v}}$ guide us by hand the prom - ised land. your to safe - ly past the foe our home to we go. show us that bright shore where we weep no more. we safe - ly the prom - ised land. till stand in O· 8

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## First Sunday in Lent

**OFFERING** *The offering will be collected as you leave the Church.* 

**POSTLUDE:** *Prelude in G Minor* 

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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.

**During Lent,** a Hymn of Praise is not appropriate because of the preparatory and penitential nature of this time.

The liturgical color purple, symbolic of our penitence and Jesus' royalty, is used in Lent.

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The 2022 Congregational Meeting Part 1, scheduled for February 13<sup>th</sup> will be postponed until April 3<sup>rd</sup>. Due to the high volume of COVID and the flu, the Vestry thought it was best to postpone the meeting.

Bruhns

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#### Worship Assistants

Ushers: Dick Allebach, Mike Beattie, Scott Halteman, and Shane Elison Lectors: 8:00 am: Laurie Mueller 10:30 am: Sonya Sowards Altar Guild: Linda Romano and Sally Sweeney

Offering Tabulation: Debra Augustine, Brian O'Hara, and Chilly Lyaro Video Production: Jim Lien, Jeannie Funk, or Jonathan Mueller.

<u>The Flowers that Adorn the Altar</u> are given to the glory of God by Sherry Jessee in memory of her mother.

<u>The Sanctuary Candle</u> is given to the glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. James Lorah in loving memory of son, J. Scott Lorah.

<u>The Worship Bulletins</u> are given to the glory of God by Robert Reichner with prayers for the people of the Ukraine.

<u>Candle Lamp and Flower Sponsors Needed:</u> Each Sunday, a member or family from the congregation donates flowers for the altar at our worship services. This is a great way to remember or honor someone you love, as well as to honor your commitment to God and to Augustus. After the service, a volunteer delivers the flowers to shut ins or others who could use a lift. (\$45 per week)

Have you ever noticed the candle lamp that hangs over the altar in church? That candle burns constantly to remind us that God is with us. The candle is replaced each week so that we never forget. Thank you to our church family for making sure we are always "lit". (\$6 per week)

If you are interested in participating in the sponsorship of these important parts of our weekly worship, please contact the Parish Administrator at 610-489-9625 or <u>office@augustustrappe.org</u>.

## <u>AUGUSTUS SPRING TURKEY DINNER /</u> <u>CRAFT & VENDOR FAIR:</u>

As we commence a new calendar year, it is once again time to start looking into the feasibility of the Spring Turkey Dinner event and our commitment to global missionaries. As I am sure that everyone has endured many changes over the past few years, the Turkey Dinner is no exception. Since the success of the event greatly relies on the support of local businesses, the community, the general



church congregation, and available resources, the committee is evaluating its feasibility for this year and beyond. Unfortunately, there are many obstacles for the committee to overcome, which include obtaining cost effective products and supplies, food production with limited equipment, transporting food for 500 guests the day of, and confidence that we have the volunteer working staff to pull off the event. In the past, we have also piggy-backed off of a caterer to help with supplies, food prep, and resources. Unfortunately, this caterer's business did not survive the pandemic. That being said, the committee is currently looking to add 4-6 dedicated people who would be willing to help see this fundraiser through all of its stages, planning, production, the event day, and clean-up, with intense activity during the month of April. Maybe you have resources or connections to culinary expertise. Maybe you can dedicate substantial time during the week prior to the turkey dinner to prepare food. Maybe you have connections to local commercial kitchen resources. There are many complications and logistic issues that the committee feels they can work through, if they have a dedicated congregation, business, and volunteer support behind them. Please prayerfully consider joining the dedicated Turkey Dinner / Craft & Vendor Fair committee by reaching out to Dale O'Hara at oharadvd@aol.com or 610-489-0417 and showing your support. We will need to make a decision about the future of the Turkey Dinner by mid-March.

<u>Altar Guild Help Wanted:</u> Altar Guild members attend to the altar on Sundays. They change the paraments, prepare Holy Communion, place the flowers, and a host of other small jobs that are so important to our weekly worship. No experience

<u>Prayer Chain Volunteers Needed:</u> Did you know Augustus's WELCA has a prayer group? People are invited to call the leader of the group, Carol Oelschlager, or the church office with prayer requests and a group of folks will say special prayers based on these requests. This group is now seeking additional people to pray for our congregants and friends. If you are interested in participating, please call Carol Oelschlager at 610-489-3109

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2022 Easter Flowers Flowers can now be ordered for Easter!		
Please include payment with your order. Make checks payable to: Augustus Flower Fund		
Orders can be left in the church office, or mailed to: Karen Lachenmayer 412 Dartmoor Road, Schwenksville, PA 19473		
Phone: 610-715-4850 E-Mail: karenlachenmayer@gmail.com		
ORDER DEADLINE: April 3, 2022		
Name:		
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Lily @ \$15.00 =		
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I will take my flowers AFTER the Easter Service		
Please distribute my flowers to others		
I would like the bulletin acknowledgement to read: (PLEASE <u>PRINT</u> )		

# Get Your Sweet Treats Here!!!



Thin mint cookies will be arranged and sold by the dozen. Peanut butter and coconut creme eggs will be sold by the half pound and full pound container.

Name:\_\_\_\_\_

I would like: 1 dz. Thin Mints 2 dz. Thin Mints	1 dz. Thin Mints \$4.00 2 dz. Thin Mints \$8.00	
Chocolate PB Eggs	<sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> pound \$5.00 Pound \$10.00	
Coconut Creme Eggs	<sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> pound \$5.00 Pound \$10.00	
I will pick up after the 8 o'clock	service	

I will pick up after the 10 o'clock service

Thank you for supporting SHYG

# SENIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP EASTER SWEET TREAT FUNDRAISER

Sunday, April 10th is the delivery date.

Homemade peanut butter and coconut creme eggs. We also have thin mints cookies.



# **Delicious!**



REGISTRATION AND REFRESHMENTS START AT 9:00 A.M. PROGRAM BEGINS AT 9:30 A.M.

#### PROGRAM THEME: Women Serving

'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.' - Matthew 25:40.

We will be doing a brief devotional before a National Quilting Day quilting workshop. We will be tying and pinning quilts, led by the women of Augustus Lutheran Church. No experience is needed. If you can make a square knot, you can do this. Or just come for the fellowship. Upon completion, the quilts will be sent to Lutheran World Relief for the distribution to people less fortunate. All are welcome. Bring a friend!

Children are welcome to attend; however, anyone under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

#### WHAT TO BRING:

Each church group is asked to bring a baked good, fruit, or similar refreshment item to share, as well as non-perishable food donations for the Daily Bread Community Food Pantry in Collegeville. Coffee, tea & beverages will be served by the host church.

#### SAVE THE DATE - June 4, 2022

#### SOUTHEAST PA SYNOD WOMEN ON THE ELCA 2022 CONVENTION

More details available soon.

**Music for Piano, Organ, and Percussion:** Sunday, March 27, 4pm at St. John's United Church of Christ in Lansdale. Join St. John's Andrew Paulson with percussionist Dr. John Pennington for an afternoon like no other. Hear jazz, classical, and modern compositions in the combination of keyboard and percussion. Featuring works by Makoto Ozone, Maurice Ravel, Chick Corea, Carol Barnett and more! All are welcome to this free event. Contact Andrew Paulson at andrew@st-johns-ucc.org for more information.