

**HOLY COMMUNION**  
**Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

**June 16, 2024**

**8:00 am and 9:30 am**

**INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY**

The mustard seed becomes a great shrub that shelters the birds, recalling ancient images of the tree of life. We'd expect a cedar or a sequoia, but Jesus finds the power of God better imaged in a tiny, no-account seed. It's not the way we expect divine activity to look. Yet the tree of life is here, in the cross around which we gather, the tree into which we are grafted through baptism, the true vine that nourishes us with its fruit in the cup we share. It may not appear all that impressive, but while nobody's looking it grows with a power beyond our understanding.

**SILENT PRAYER**

**PRELUDE:** *God of Grace and God of Glory*

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**GATHERING (ENTRANCE RITE)**

***Stand***

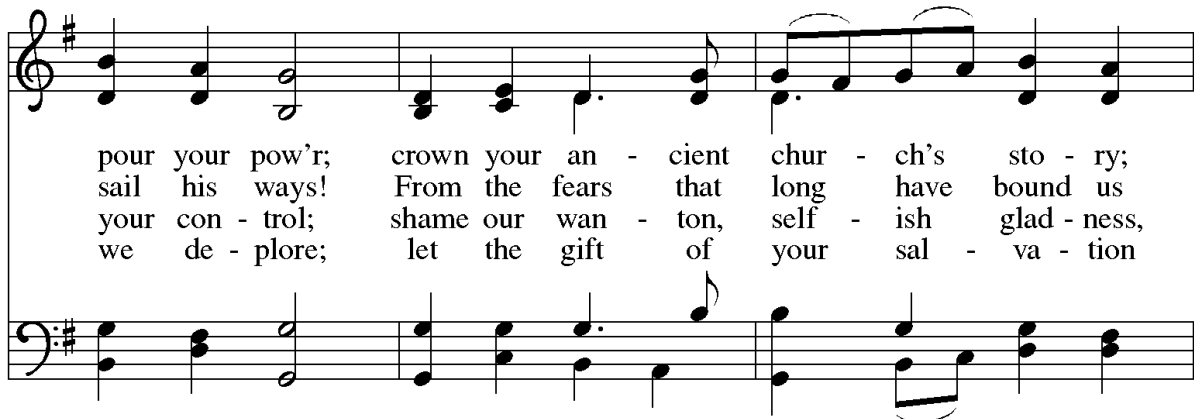
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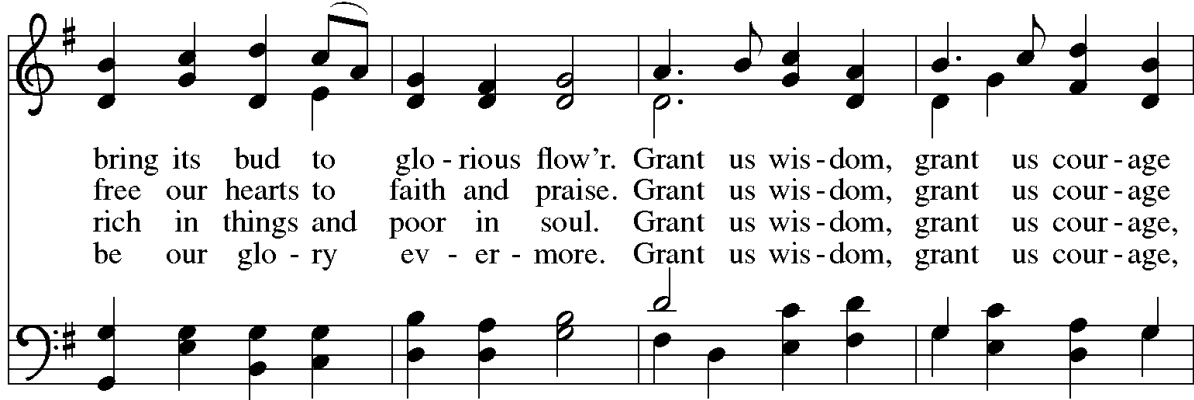
# God of Grace and God of Glory



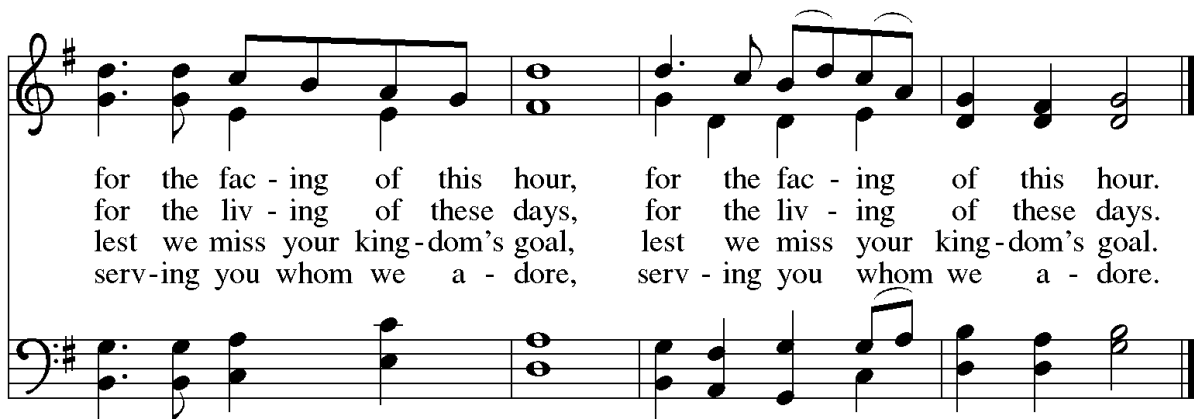
1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on your peo - ple  
2 Lo! The hosts of e - vil round us scorn the Christ, as -  
3 Cure your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to  
4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils



pour your pow'r; crown your an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry;  
sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us  
your con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,  
we de - plore; let the gift of your sal - va - tion



bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age  
free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age  
rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,  
be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,



for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.  
for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.  
lest we miss your king - dom's goal, lest we miss your king - dom's goal.  
serv - ing you whom we a - dore, serv - ing you whom we a - dore.

## 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.

**C** Amen.

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

### *Kneel/Stand*

**P** Most merciful God,

**C** **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.**

- P** 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**

- 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.

**KYRIE**

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy; have mer - cy, O Lord.

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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P** Let us pray.  
God, our maker and redeemer, you have made us a new company of priests to bear witness to the Gospel. Enable us to be faithful to our calling to make known your promises to all the world; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C** Amen.

*Sit*

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### FIRST READING

Ezekiel 17:22-24

*Tree imagery is used in a messianic prophecy to tell how the LORD will choose someone from Judah's royal family (the cedar tree) to reign over all creation. This tree will be planted on Mount Zion, the location of the holy temple.*

**A** A reading from Ezekiel.

<sup>22</sup>Thus says the Lord GOD:

I myself will take a sprig  
from the lofty top of a cedar;  
I will set it out.

I will break off a tender one  
from the topmost of its young twigs;

I myself will plant it  
on a high and lofty mountain.

<sup>23</sup>On the mountain height of Israel

I will plant it,  
in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit,  
and become a noble cedar.

Under it every kind of bird will live;  
in the shade of its branches will nest  
winged creatures of every kind.

<sup>24</sup>All the trees of the field shall know  
that I am the LORD.

I bring low the high tree,  
I make high the low tree;

I dry up the green tree  
and make the dry tree flourish.

I the LORD have spoken;  
I will accomplish it.

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

*Later service only:*

**PSALM 92:1-4, 12-15** (*The congregation's verses are in bold face type.*)

- <sup>1</sup>It is a good thing to give thanks <sup>1</sup> to the LORD,  
and to sing praises to your name, <sup>1</sup> O Most High;  
<sup>2</sup>**to tell of your lovingkindness early <sup>1</sup> in the morning  
and of your faithfulness in <sup>1</sup> the night season;**  
<sup>3</sup>on the psaltery, and <sup>1</sup> on the lyre,  
and to the melody <sup>1</sup> of the harp.  
<sup>4</sup>**For you have made me glad by your <sup>1</sup> acts, O LORD;  
and I shout for joy because of the works <sup>1</sup> of your hands.**  
<sup>11</sup>The righteous shall flourish <sup>1</sup> like a palm tree,  
and shall spread abroad like a ce- <sup>1</sup> dar of Lebanon.  
<sup>12</sup>**Those who are planted in the house <sup>1</sup> of the LORD  
shall flourish in the courts <sup>1</sup> of our God;**  
<sup>13</sup>they shall still bear fruit <sup>1</sup> in old age;  
they shall be <sup>1</sup> green and succulent;  
<sup>14</sup>**that they may show how up- <sup>1</sup> right the LORD is,  
my rock, in whom there <sup>1</sup> is no fault.**

## SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 5:6-10

*Paul encourages believers to live by faith and not by sight. We do not consider Jesus from a human perspective but through the eyes of faith, believing he died for all and was raised. All who are in Christ are now in God's new creation.*

**A** A reading from Second Corinthians.

- <sup>6</sup>So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord—<sup>7</sup>for we walk by faith, not by sight. <sup>8</sup>Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. <sup>9</sup>So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. <sup>10</sup>For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil. <sup>14</sup>For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. <sup>15</sup>And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. <sup>16</sup>From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer

in that way. <sup>17</sup>So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

**A** The word of the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

### *Stand*

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



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



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



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

#### GOSPEL

Mark 4:26-34

*Jesus frequently uses parables to teach ordinary people as they are able to hear and understand. Images of sowing and growing show the vitality of God's kingdom.*

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

**G** Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>26</sup>[Jesus] said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground,<sup>27</sup> and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. <sup>28</sup>The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. <sup>29</sup>But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come."

<sup>30</sup>He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? <sup>31</sup>It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; <sup>32</sup>yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

<sup>33</sup>With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; <sup>34</sup>he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

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

*Sit*

SERMON

Pastor Weleck

*Stand*

*Later service only:*

**HYMN OF THE DAY:** *Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won*

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# Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won



1 Je - sus lives! The vic - t'ry's won! Death no long - er can ap - pall me.  
 2 Je - sus lives! To him the throne high o'er heav'n and earth is giv - en.  
 3 Je - sus lives! For me he died; hence will I, to Je - sus liv - ing,  
 4 Je - sus lives! I know full well noth - ing me from him shall sev - er.  
 5 Je - sus lives! And now is death but the gate to life im - mor - tal;



Je - sus lives! Death's reign is done! From the grave Christ will re - call me.  
 I shall go where he is gone, live and reign with him in heav - en.  
 pure in heart and act a - bide, praise to him and glo - ry giv - ing.  
 Life nor death nor pow'rs of hell part me now from Christ for - ev - er.  
 this shall calm my trem - bling breath when I pass its gloom - y por - tal.



Bright - er scenes will then com - mence; this shall be my con - fi - dence.  
 God is faith - ful; doubt - ings, hence! This shall be my con - fi - dence.  
 All I need God will dis - pense; this shall be my con - fi - dence.  
 God will be a sure de - fense; this shall be my con - fi - dence.  
 Faith shall cry, as fails each sense: Je - sus is my con - fi - dence!



***Stand***

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

**APOSTLES CREED**

**☐** With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**☑** **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 into hell.  
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 INTERCESSION

- A** With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus,  
let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.
- A** 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.**
- A** 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,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**
- A** 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.**
- A** 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.**
- P** 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

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

OFFERTORY



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right

spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your

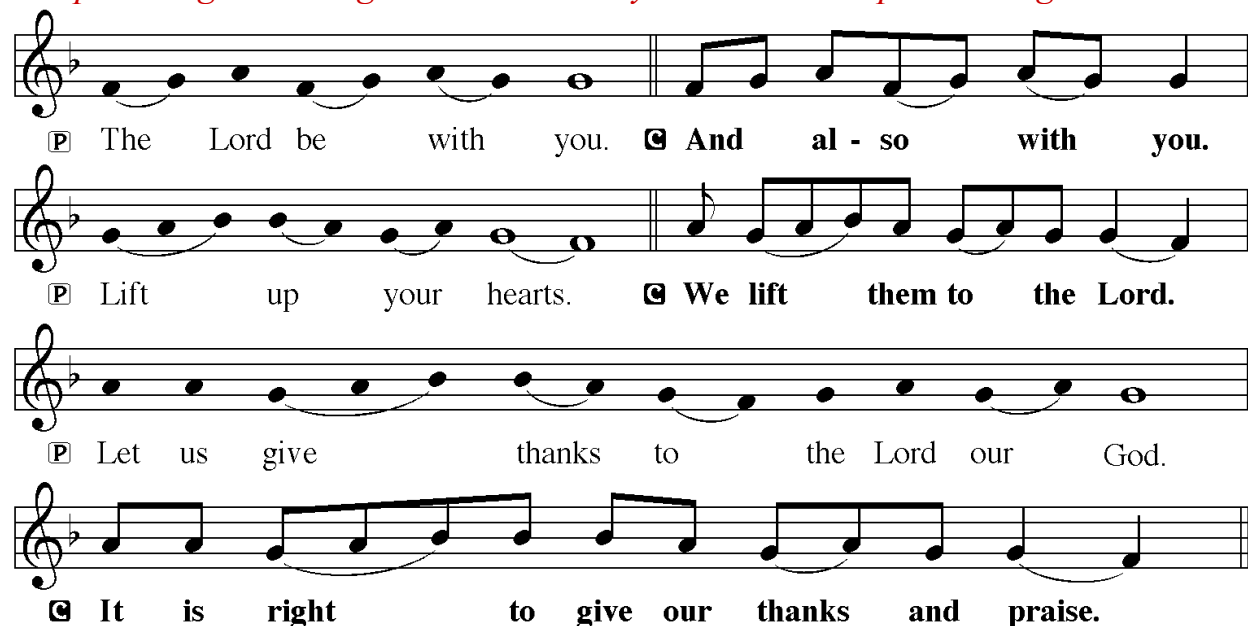
pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -

store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,

and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

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



**P** The Lord be with you. **G** And al - so with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts. **G** We lift them to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**G** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*The minister continues with the PROPER PREFACE:*

**P** 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:*



**G** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:

Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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

**P** 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.

**C** **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

**P** 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.

**C** **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.*

*Music during Communion:*

### LAMB OF GOD (AGNUS DEI)

**L**amb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.  
**L**amb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace. A - men

**MUSIC DURING COMMUNION:** *Untitled Hymn (Come to Jesus)*

Rice

Jennie Lien, Soloist

### *Stand*

#### **BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION**

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

#### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

- A** 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)



**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.



The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.



The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.



**C** A - men, A - men, A - men.

DISMISSAL

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

**HYMN:** *What a Fellowship What a Joy Divine*  
*Printed on the next page.*

# What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine

## *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms*



- 1 What a fel - low-ship, what a joy di - vine, lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms;
- 2 Oh, how sweet to walk in this pil-grim way, lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms;
- 3 What have I to dread, what have I to fear, lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms?



what a bless-ed-ness, what a peace is mine, lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms.  
 oh, how bright the path grows from day to day, lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms.  
 I have bless-ed peace with my Lord so near, lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms.



### *Refrain*



Lean - ing, lean - ing, safe and se - cure from all a - larms;



Lean - ing on Je - sus, lean - ing on Je - sus,



lean - ing, lean - ing, lean-ing on the ev - er - last-ing arms.



lean - ing on Je - sus, lean - ing on Je - sus,

## OFFERING

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

POSTLUDE: *Menuet*

Boellmann



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**The Time of the Church** is the season after Pentecost, beginning with The Holy Trinity and ending with Christ the King. These weeks focus on Christ's ministry and teaching.

**On Sundays for which the color is green**, it is appropriate to omit either the Kyrie or the Hymn of Praise, reserving both together for festival seasons.

**The liturgical color green**, symbolic of growth, is used for the season after Epiphany and after Pentecost.



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**Vacation Bible School is coming and we're looking for volunteers!**

We'll have a set-up day on June 23<sup>rd</sup> after church and we need some strong backs to help with that. Then, VBS is 9-12, June 24-27 and the number of volunteers we have determines the number of children we can welcome. Adults will need all three state clearances, but they are easily obtained, and Sonya Sowards can help you. We always have a lot of fun at Vacation Bible School so please let Sonya know ([education@augustustrappe.org](mailto:education@augustustrappe.org) or 904-476-4409) if you or your teen can help. Thank you!



**Vacation Bible School**  
 June 24-27, 2024, 9a-12p  
 ages 3 through 6<sup>th</sup> grade

This year's VBS is based on games and will be lots of fun! Scan this code to register.

Questions? Contact Sonya Sowards, DCE.



Worship Assistants

Ushers: Dick Allebach and Scott Halteman

Elevator Attendant: Mike Taylor

Lectors: Lessons: Jennifer Wentworth Prayers: Cheryl Camuso

Communion Assistant: John Kochel

Altar Guild: Deb Scholl and Marie Conver

Offering Tabulation: Gary Wessner, Matthew Vera, and Frank DePaul

The Flowers that Adorn the Altar are given to the glory of God by Mike Taylor in loving memory of Helen Taylor (b. April 18 – d. June 11)

The Sanctuary Candle is given to the glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Oelschlager and family in loving memory of parents and grandparents William and Irene Miller and George and Norine Oelschlager.

The Worship Bulletins are given to the glory of God by Karen McClain in honor of Jeannie Funk and Cathy Menendez in recognition for all the hard work they do to keep Augustus going. Thank you, ladies!

**Docent? What is that?** Google says, “a person who acts as a guide, typically on a voluntary basis, in a museum, art gallery, or zoo”, or an old church. The Augustus Old Church Committee is looking for a few people who love the history of the original church building and telling the story of what it meant to historic Trappe and Colonial America. If interested in learning more about becoming a docent, contact Pat O’Hara at [qadirector5@aol.com](mailto:qadirector5@aol.com) or call him (484) 919-2527. Training will begin in the fall of the year.