

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST ~ JUNE 2, 2024



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"Being Transformed By God's Grace To Love And Serve."

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Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

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Confession and Forgiveness

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

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
the God of manna,
the God of miracles,
the God of mercy.

Amen.

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our provider, help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, † the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **Amen.**

Opening Hymn

“Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing”

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Greeting

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

Hymn of Praise

“Glory to God”

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Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.....**Almighty and ever-living God, throughout time you free the oppressed, heal the sick, and make whole all that you have made. Look with compassion on the world wounded by sin, and by your power restore us to wholeness of life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

please be seated

First Reading

Deuteronomy 5:12 - 15

¹²Observe the sabbath day and keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. ¹³Six days you shall labor and do all your work. ¹⁴But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. ¹⁵Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 81:1-10

¹Sing with joy to God our strength and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob.

²**Raise a song and sound the timbrel, the merry harp, and the lyre.**

³Blow the ram’s horn at the new moon, and at the full moon, the day of our feast;

⁴**for this is a statute for Israel, a law of the God of Jacob.**

⁵God laid it as a solemn charge upon Joseph, going out over the land of Egypt, where I heard a voice I did not know:

⁶**“I eased your shoulder from the burden; your hands were set free from the gravedigger’s basket.**

⁷You called on me in trouble, and I delivered you; I answered you from the secret place of thunder and tested you at the waters of Meribah.

⁸**Hear, O my people, and I will admonish you: O Israel, if you would but listen to me!**

⁹There shall be no strange god among you; you shall not worship a foreign god.

¹⁰**I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt. Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it.**

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 4:5 - 12

⁵We do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. ⁶For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

⁷But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. ⁸We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; ⁹persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; ¹⁰always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. ¹¹For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. ¹²So death is at work in us, but life in you.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Children's Sermon

Pastor Stephen Zeller

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Gospel Acclamation

"Alleluia"

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Gospel

Mark 2:23 - 3:6

The Holy Gospel according to Mark the 2nd chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord

²³One sabbath [Jesus] was going through the grainfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. ²⁴The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?" ²⁵And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food? ²⁶He entered the house of

God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions.”²⁷ Then he said to them, “The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; ²⁸so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath.”^{3:1} Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. ²They watched him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. ³And he said to the man who had the withered hand, “Come forward.” ⁴Then he said to them, “Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?” But they were silent. ⁵He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, “Stretch out your hand.” He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. ⁶The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

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Sermon

Pastor Stephen Zeller

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Hymn of the Day

“O Day of Rest and Gladness”

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please be seated

Affirmation of Baptism / Rite of Confirmation
Presentation

Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for these people, one with us in the body of Christ, who are making public affirmation of their baptism.

I present Macey Heimsoth, Kaylan Poe and Khloe Viebrock who desire to make public affirmation of their baptism.

Let us pray. Merciful God, we thank you for these sisters, whom you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism. You have called them to yourself, enlightened them with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourished them in the community of faith. Uphold your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism, and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ. **Amen.**

Individual Faith Statements

Macey Heimsoth,

daughter of Brock Heimsoth and Katie Martin-Simons

~Matthew 5:14

"You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid."

I believe in God and Jesus Christ. I believe in them because they died for us and cared for us when we needed it most. I picked the Bible verse that I picked because it can show how God is and how we are. I believe God is caring and courageous. I also believe that he loves us. I think it's important to remember my affirmation so it reminds me that God loves me and that he cares for me. Also, remembering my baptism helps me to remember how God accepted me. My faith in God has helped get me through tough times and that I am loved. Confirmation has helped me to better understand the Bible, God and myself. I love how God accepts everyone and loves you for who you are. I also like the verse I picked because it works like a metaphor, meaning, God is the Light and the Town. You cannot hid God and he will always live forever.

Kaylan Poe,

daughter of Ron & Krista Poe

~Jeremiah 29:11

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Confirmation is confirming my baptism that reaffirms I am a child of God. The Bible verse from Jeremiah, "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future," reassures and encourages me to continue my journey towards following Christ. God created me for a special purpose and has established a pathway towards eternal life. Jeremiah 1:5 states: "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart..." Thriving as a Christian, God will uplift, guide, and prosper me to grow into a strong and successful disciple of Christ. Every day, I should strive for a God-centered life by reading and studying the Bible, constant daily prayer, and utilizing His teachings, which will help me form a steadfast relationship with God.

Throughout my two years in confirmation class, I have learned that God plans to prosper me, not harm me. God is good! Death, destruction, and sin are not created by God, only by man. Although His plans may seem complicated and misleading, God is in control and will never harm me. I know that I will go through difficult times, but I must remind myself that God will be with me every step of the way. Moving from place to place throughout my childhood has led me to trust God's plan, even though it might have been unnerving and intimidating at the time. By trusting in God and following His path, I can see all the remarkable things he has in store for me and my future toward everlasting life. This passage from Jeremiah, spoken by God, will constantly inspire my faith and give me hope today, tomorrow, and for the rest of my life.

Khloe Viebrock,

daughter of Kelly & Angela Viebrock

~Romans 8:18

"I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us."

The verse I chose for confirmation is: Romans 8:18 "I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us." This verse stood out to me because everyone goes through hard times and we tend to lose sight of God. Therefore, when I go through struggles, going back and reading this verse reminds me that everything happens for a reason and it will only get better from there, by trusting the Lord's timing. In the future I will understand the struggles I faced and the path the Lord has paved for me. Knowing that what I was challenged with only made my life better in many different ways. This verse also helps to remind me how I can help others if they are ever feeling down or lost from God. My faith statement is, everything happens for a reason and you do not have to understand, but trusting in the Lord will help you through any struggles and prepare you for a better future.

Profession of Faith

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

I renounce them.

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

Affirmation of Baptism

You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:

to live among God's faithful people,
to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,
to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,
to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,
and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

People of God, do you promise to support these sisters and pray for them in their life in Christ?

We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

Parents or family members may come forward for the laying on of hands.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life.

Stir up in _____ the gift of your Holy Spirit:

the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of counsel and might,
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord,
the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

Amen.

Let us rejoice with these sisters in Christ.

We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.

Presentation of Gifts

Jake Jackson, Council President

Prayers of Intercession

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Sharing The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

please be seated
Offering

please stand in body or spirit
Offertory

“Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful”

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Offering Prayer

Let us pray.....Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

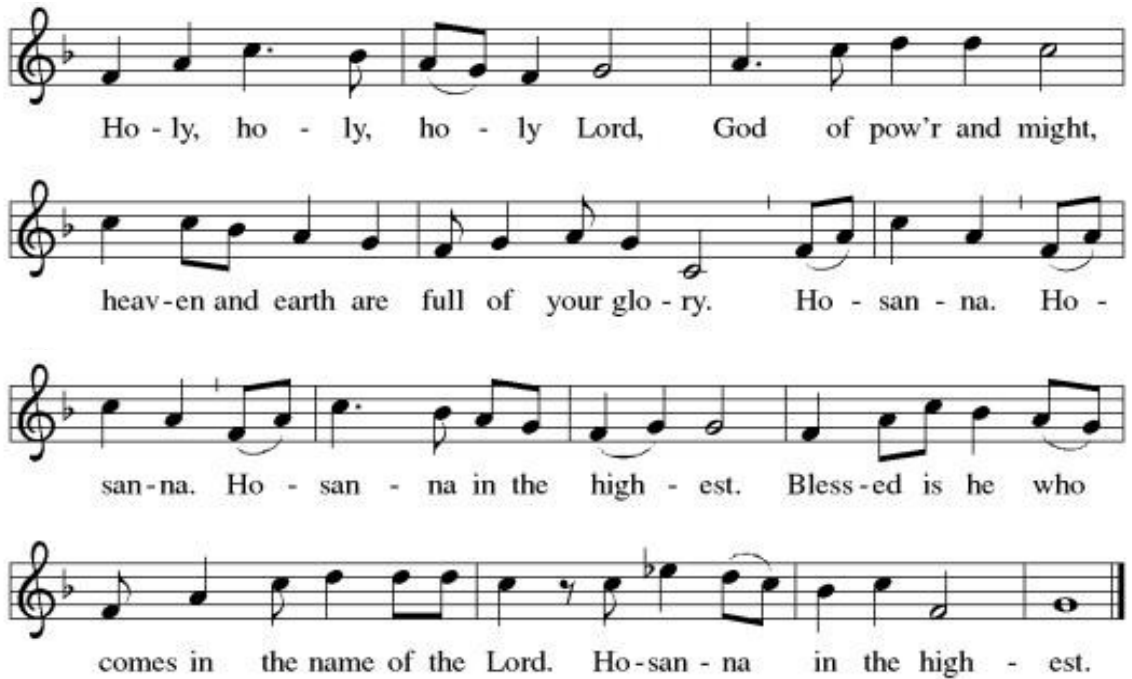
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. Each staff contains a melody line with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.', 'Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.', 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.', and 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.' The music consists of quarter and eighth notes with various rests and slurs.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise.....we praise your name and join their unending hymn.



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. Ho -
 san-na. 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.

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Hear, O Lord, the prayer you taught 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.**

please be seated

HOLY COMMUNION

At the Altar

All who believe that Jesus is present in the Bread and the Wine
 and has the power to forgive are welcome to commune.
 Red wine or white grape juice is available.

Our first table for Holy Communion this morning will be for those who do not wish to climb the stairs. Please watch for direction from the ushers.

Communion Hymns

“O Jesus, I Have Promised”	#810
“Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me”	#767
“Around You, O Lord Jesus”	#468

please stand in body or spirit

Post-Communion Prayer

Let us pray.....Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

Amen.

Blessing

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, † be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn “Holy Spirit, Truth Divine” #398

Dismissal

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

"GOD IS WITH US ALWAYS"



Welcome: Sisters and brothers in Christ, welcome to this time and space apart, where we can turn our focus from self to God and from fear to faith. May you sense God's gentle touch.

We invite everyone to enjoy coffee and fellowship before worship in the Gathering Space. Please join us!

In Our Prayers: "Unspoken prayer concerns", Jean Healan, Jon Beckman, Rodger Luetjen, Eugene Oelrichs, Scott Cash, Judie VonHolten, Greg Ives, Dewey Jobe, Judy Smith, Paul Kelly, Renee Weller, Gordon Ives, and Kyle Luetjen.



Dustin Woods, Alexis Harrington, Liz Smart, Josephine Heimsoth, Don Gibbs, Melvin Oelrichs (grandpa of Nicholas Dieckman), Art Heimsoth, Cliff Eckhoff, Averi Kroenke, Carmilla Swaim and husband (friends of Debbie Eckhoff), Ken Jenson (friend of Connie Gerken), Jamie Simon, Dena Sikoutris, Joseph Fuelling (nephew of Paul Fuelling), Annie Bright, Kiley Simon (friend of Jenna Nash), Karen Haase (sister-in-law of Gene Beckman), Jackie Ross (sister of Randy Healan), Ronnie Logan (brother of Gale Logan), Marvin Logan (brother of Gale Logan), Marlin Lackas (brother-in-law of Paul Fuelling), Bill Hampton, and Adam Gumbel (son of Jim & Kim Gumbel).



Nursing Home: Vern Dean Bohling: *Ambrose*. Marie Viebrock & Florence VonHolten: *GSCC*. Kathy Hallauer: *Loving Arms*.

Military: Please keep all those who have served our country past and present in your prayers, especially: ENS David M. Gardner (son of Pam Balke), Private Bradyn Hood (grandson of Connie Gerken), MSGt. Jason Ostberg (son-in law of Suzanne Lutjen) Lt. Col. Ron Poe, SSG Nick Smith and Cpt. Joseph Strathman.





Prayers: If you would like your name added or removed from the prayer list, please contact the church office at 668-3537.

With Sympathy: We also pray for those families who have lost loved ones; family and friends of Dorothy Brown (mother of Bob Brown), Vernon Stelling and Paul Catron.



Confirmation: **Today** we will share in the joy of the Rite of Confirmation for three of our members. They are Macey Heimsoth, Confirmation Kaylan Poe and Khloe Viebrock.



Teachers: The Sunday School is in need of a 4th-6th grade teacher. The lesson materials are planned out and easy to follow with student handouts and a teacher book. This is a fun age with great thoughts and ideas! Contact Anne Goosen if you are feeling called to help support our children's ministry or if you have any questions.



One Stitch at a Time: The Sewing Group will meet on Monday, **June 3rd** at 9:00am in the church basement. Please feel free to join them.

Float Work: Float work will begin on Wednesday, **June 5th** and Thursday, **June 6th** from 5:30pm-7:00pm and then start a regular schedule of Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 5:30pm-7:00pm.



Health Care: The Benton County Health Department will be here on Thursday, **June 6th** from 8:00am until 10:00am to help you with your health care needs.

Synod Assembly: Synod Assembly is **June 6th, 7th and 8th**. Please remember our delegates Greg Bredehoeft, Rhonda Schlesselman and Pastor Stephen in your prayers during those days.



Meeting: The Council will meet on Tuesday, **June 4th** at 7:00pm.



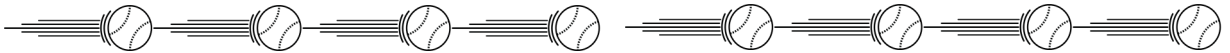
Ask the Pastor: You're invited to take part in the next "Ask the Pastor" night, an opportunity to have casual conversation around just about anything. Instead of a predetermined Bible Study, you bring the topic and the questions and we'll do our best to answer them together. Join us on Thursday, **June 13th**, at 6:00 pm, meeting at Missouri Made Shop & Comfort Café (105 E Main St.) Food and drinks will be available for purchase.

Ice Cream Social: St. Paul's Ice Cream Social will be held Sunday **June 23rd**. Food serving will begin at 6pm and entertainment will start at 7pm. There is a sign-up sheet in the link if you would like to bring a cake. Otherwise, every household is asked to donate 2 pies. Please bring them to the church by 5pm on June 23.



The committee is looking for entertainment acts to perform during the ice cream social. If you have a special skit, joke, song, or instrumental piece you would like to share, please contact the church or one of the ice cream social committee members: Emily Kullman, Victoria Gerken, and Nicole Rice.

This year our free will offering will be donated to The Happy Feet Project. Thanks to a generous grant, funds raised through the Cole Camp Area Church Alliance will be matched 50 cents on every dollar, up to \$3000, by the Benton County Community Foundation.



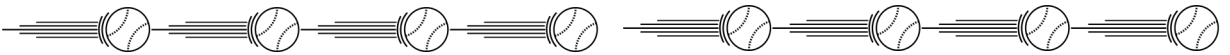
~ * ~ **IN OUR COMMUNITY** ~ * ~



Ice Cream Social: Trinity Pymont Lutheran Church will have an Ice Cream Social on Sunday, **June 9th**. Serving will begin at 5:00pm with entertainment beginning at 6:00pm. They will serve hot dogs, chili dogs, sandwiches, sides, pie, cake and ice cream. Potter's Wheel will be the entertainment. This is a free will donation.

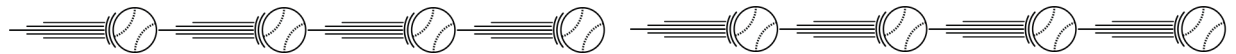
Welcome to St. Paul's Lutheran Church

Ministers The Whole Congregation
Presiding Minister Pastor Stephen Zeller
Organist Lois Viebrock
Pianist Jeannette VonHolten
AV Technicians Russ Oelrichs & Todd Rusk
Altar Guild Shirley Cash & Norma Schlesselman
Ushers Justin Tinney, Head Usher
Victoria Fox, John Oelrichs, Braden Poe & Ryan Schlesselman.



Second Sunday after Pentecost ~ June 2, 2024

Assisting Minister Melisa Balke
Communion Assistants At the Altar
Reader Adrienn Dieckman
Children's Sermon Pastor Stephen Zeller
Acolytes Lexi Goyette & Hudson Kullman
Flowers Norene Ives



Third Sunday after Pentecost ~ June 9, 2024

Assisting Minister Tom Oelrichs
Communion Assistants Sara Jackson & Stephanie Randall
Reader Kaylan Poe
Children's Sermon Paul Fuelling
Acolytes Wyatt Gooch & Kelsey Viebrock
Flowers Lesa Warden