



Today we celebrate Pastor James C. Covert and his ordination anniversary. In today's Gospel, Jesus is questioned, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" As Pastor Covert was called and ordained to have a career performing God's works, Jesus answers the question, "This is the work of God, you believe in him whom he has sent."

COMMUNITY IN CHRIST

For just as the body is one and has many members...so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.... If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it (1 Corinthians 12:12-13, 26). Because the worshiping members of Jerusalem have a significantly higher vaccination rate than our county that, together with new recommendations from the CDC and other church guidelines, has been prayerfully weighed by our leaders, along with the many different needs and wishes within our congregation. Therefore at this time as we emerge from the Covid pandemic we are worshiping in this way:

WELCOME

- IN-PERSON WORSHIPERS, please leave the first few spaces in the front parking lot for parking lot worshippers.
- IN-PARKING LOT WORSHIPERS, please park in the first few spaces closest to Dock Street and tune your radio to **90.1 FM**.
- VISITORS, we welcome you! In this uncertain time of a pandemic, we believe that grace-filled love of God made known in Jesus Christ, and proclaimed in scripture, prayer, and worship sustains us even now. We are glad that you are here with us, so that together, we all can receive the Good News of Jesus Christ, and then be strengthened in daily love for God and our neighbors.

LARGE PRINT WORSHIP binders are available in the church lobby.

HOLY COMMUNION

10th Sunday after Pentecost – August 1st, 2021

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POLICIES ON MASKS AND DISTANCING

- Vaccinated people may choose whether or not to wear a mask.
- Unvaccinated people are expected to wear masks, and to seek inoculation if that is medically advisable.
- People without masks need to assume that people wearing masks will want a six-foot distance from others, unless the masked person welcomes a closer distance.
- People without masks can choose a comfortable distance from each other.
- We have lots of space in which to worship, so we can spread throughout the nave for each service, but we will continue to tape off alternating pews as a precaution for people who are masked and need distance.

CURRENT WORSHIP PRACTICES

- We will continue to offer parking lot worship, video recordings of the service, and mailings of the bulletin and sermon for people who cannot yet attend in-person worship.
- We are resuming congregational speaking and singing in the building.
- Hymnals will be available in the pew racks, and distributed to and collected from people worshipping in the parking lot.
- Large print worship binders are available inside at worship stations. Those worshipping in the parking lot can request large print from an usher.
- Wine and grape juice are once again being offered from the chalice inside, with intinction being offered outside.
- The offering plates will stay in the back for the time being, until our ushering volunteers are back in full force.
- Lectors, Assisting Ministers, Communion Assistants, Ushers, Sound Board people, and Acolytes are needed! If you have done this before, or would like to try something new, please see Melissa Boyer or Pastor Rowe.

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GATHERING

PRELUDE

Jubilate

Darwin Wolford

Beverly Kriner and Audrey Christ, piano/organ duet

The bell rings calling us to worship.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign 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.

ENTRANCE HYMN

You Servants of God

825

GREETING


The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other.

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

Refrain



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, the high - est, and




peace to God's peo - ple on earth.




1 Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther,




we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you




for your glo - ry. *Refrain* Glo - ry to God in the high-




est, the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.




2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the



right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

Refrain

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, the high - est, and
 peace to God's peo - ple on earth. 3 For you a -
 lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
 you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the
 Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.
 A - men. A - men. A - men.

Final refrain

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, the high - est, and peace to God's
 peo - ple on earth. Glo - ry to God in the high -
 est, the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this world in all its need with the life that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING

Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15

The assembly inside is seated.

²The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. ³The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of

bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.”

⁴Then the LORD said to Moses, “I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not.”

⁹Then Moses said to Aaron, “Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, ‘Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.’” ¹⁰And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. ¹¹The LORD spoke to Moses and said, ¹²“I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.’”

¹³In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. ¹⁴When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. ¹⁵When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.”

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 78:23-29

²³So God commanded the ¹ clouds above
and opened the ¹ doors of heaven,

²⁴**raining down manna upon ¹ them to eat
and giving them ¹ grain from heaven.**

²⁵So mortals ate the ¹ bread of angels;
God provided for them ¹ food enough.

²⁶**The LORD caused the east wind to blow ¹ in the heavens
and powerfully led out ¹ the south wind,**

²⁷raining down flesh upon ¹ them like dust
and flying birds like the sand ¹ of the seas,

²⁸**letting them fall in the midst ¹ of the camp
and round a- ¹ bout the dwellings.**

²⁹So the people ate and ¹ were well filled,
for God gave them ¹ what they craved.

SECOND READING

Ephesians 4:1-16

¹I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, ⁵one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

⁷But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ’s gift.

⁸Therefore it is said,

“When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive;

he gave gifts to his people.”

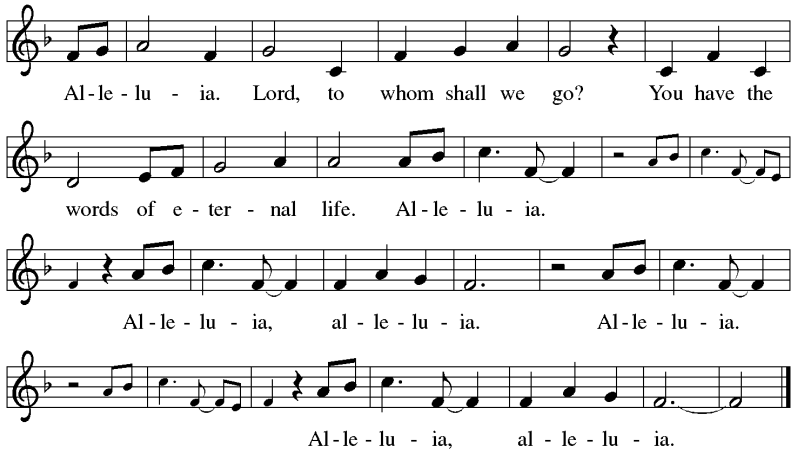
⁹(When it says, “He ascended,” what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? ¹⁰He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) ¹¹The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, ¹²to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, ¹³until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. ¹⁴We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people’s trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. ¹⁵But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, ¹⁶from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body’s growth in building itself up in love.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The assembly inside stands to welcome the gospel.



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

GOSPEL

John 6:24-35

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁴When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were [beside the sea,] they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

²⁵When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, “Rabbi, when did you come here?” ²⁶Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of

the loaves. ²⁷Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.” ²⁸Then they said to him, “What must we do to perform the works of God?” ²⁹Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.” ³⁰So they said to him, “What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing?” ³¹Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’” ³²Then Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” ³⁴They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.”

³⁵Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

Linda Covert

SERMON

Pastor James Covert

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

674

The assembly inside stands. All proclaim the word of God in song.

APOSTLES CREED

We confess our faith with the whole church using the ancient baptismal creed that summarizes the teaching of the scripture and the apostles.

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

As a local assembly of believers, we pray for the whole world and church, as well as our local congregation and neighborhood.

Rooted in Christ and sustained by the Spirit, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

You call your church to be the body of Christ. Awaken all the baptized to the gifts you provide for carrying out the work of ministry. Where the church is divided, knit us together and restore the unity of the faith. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You call and raise up leaders for your church. We give you thanks for forty years of faithful witness by Pastor James Covert who has proclaimed your Word, and celebrated and shared your Sacraments. Continue to inspire, bless, and strengthen both him and Linda as they continue to live out their daily vocations rooted in Holy Baptism. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You summon leaders to respond to the needs of your people. Instill those who govern with patience when confronted with grievances and perseverance in seeking what promotes the well-being of the community. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You draw near to those who cry out for help. Feed those who are hungry, reassure those who are despairing, and accompany those who are imprisoned. Draw all people toward your son, Jesus Christ, the true bread from heaven who gives life to the world. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You receive all who come seeking a sign of grace. Make this congregation a place of hospitality for those accustomed to rejection. To those who have felt excluded here or elsewhere, prepare us to welcome them in the name of Jesus. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You provide food that endures for eternal life. Sustain us each day with the bread of life until we are gathered with all the saints and feast together at your heavenly banquet. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, confident in the promise of your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE

We greet each other with a nod or gesture of Christian fellowship from a distance, and we also invite you to text or email a word of peace to someone.

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

ANTHEM

A Servant Heart, A Servant Song

Charles McCartha

Dedicated in honor of the 40th ordination anniversary of Pastor Jim Covert

MEAL

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The presiding minister invites the assembly to give thanks.

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord Our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The presiding minister continues with the communion preface; and then the assembly responds with the "Holy, Holy, Holy".

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, 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, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AND CONSECRATION

The thanksgiving concludes:

... For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

... Come, Lord Jesus! And let the church say, Amen.

Amen.

... Come, Spirit of freedom! And let the church say, Amen.

Amen.

... Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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.**

COMMUNION

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

INSIDE WORSHIPERS:

During this time as we emerge from the pandemic we continue to follow ecumenical safety guidelines. Ushers will dismiss you by pew, then please give people wearing masks a six-foot distance as you approach the altar by the center aisle. Please take an empty glass if you wish to receive wine, or a glass prefilled with grape juice. The pastor, who has thoroughly disinfected his/her hands will place the consecrated wafer into your outstretched palms so that you may receive the body of Christ. Then proceed to one of the chalices where the wine will be poured, or where you will drink the prefilled glass. There the communion assistant will declare the blood of Christ given for you. Those not receiving Holy Communion are invited to come forward to receive a no-touch blessing.

OUTSIDE WORSHIPERS:

The Lord's Supper will be brought to those outside by a Communion Assistant, who will use an intinction set so that the consecrated wafer can be dipped in the grape juice, in order to receive the loving body and blood of Christ.

COMMUNION HYMN *All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night* # 565

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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.

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

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

Amen.

SENDING SONG

This Little Light of Mine

677

DISMISSAL

The assisting minister sends the assembly into mission.

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

The congregation may leave immediately after the dismissal, or those wishing to stay to listen to the full prelude may leave later.

POSTLUDE

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms
Sung by the Jerusalem Lutheran Choir
One of Pastor Jim's Favorite hymns

Joel Raney

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PRAYER LIST

Joyce Freed, Shirley Foose, Lee Miller, Joanna Sirianni Edwards, Ed Freed, Pauline Crawshaw, Karen Tropp, Diane Buffington, Jack Harnock, Marie Harnock, Keith Shoener, Tom Gerber, Kelly Carl, Cheryl Feeser, Leslie R., Mary Beth (Krater) Dinneen, Sam Huff, Stewart Haver, Sue Sigler, Donna Evans, Joan Heckrote, Robert Schwartz, Craig Bracken, Nancy Reese, David Huff, Paul Calderone, Nicholas LaScala, Gail Kunkel, Lee Llewellyn, Dennis Heydt, Caroline Eister, Jeanette Stine, Christopher Payonk, Seth Ney, Renee Shade, Ben Moyer, Gaylene Ebling, Wally Foose, Craig Heffner, Jane Deibert, Judy Reihman, Tom Cook, Sylvia Edling, Joe Dewald, Ronald Bromwell, Lisa Weiser, Janest Yost, Anna Mae Berger, Madge Miller, Kathleen Kelleher, Melissa Focht, Jason Brown, Teagan Brown, Brenda Phillips, Family of Keith Ramsey, Cecelia Kacmar, Edith Kriner, Melanie Hart, Janice Moore, Christie O'Dell, John Cooper, Florence Shay, Clarence Zweizig, Melvin Rodriguez & family, Dorothy Moyer, JoAnn Baker Copley, Carlene Wenner, Christy Deaton Stocks, Maria Motto, Katharine Macnutt, Peter Spontak, Kim O'Donnell, Leslie Wagner, Mateo Thomas, Barry Heffner, Phyllis Trinca Czech, Ed Sirianni, Stephen Edwards, Lester Aungst III, Christa Miller, Jim Heisler, Cathy Covach-Hale, Edith Kriner, Kathie Frantz, Rev. Bruce MacLaughlin, Nancy Blank, Mary Miller, Rose Martin-Fuls, Earle Kull, Trent Johnson, Roy Stump, Nancy Cooper, Dave Reager

Those with Long-term health issues:

Bonnie Jean Foose, Michelle Ochenrider, Rich & Sandy Moyer, Ethan Yost, Elizabeth Taylor, Carol Landes, Maureen Moyer, Janice Barr, Donna Dizenzo, Jim Musico, John Krater, Fawn Goodman, Bob Yanek, Rebecca Marshall, Sapphire Schaeffer, Mark Wyllie, Krysta Kolbe, Shirley Emrich, Mark Noecker, Anna Heffner, David Wise, Joan Stefichack, Bill Everly, Donna Leashefski, Florence Clemens, Sara Berger, Chuck Copley, Jeff Kamar, Mary Sewalt, Pat Thomas, Nathan Resch, Casey Watson, Linda Bonfiglio-Boyer, Gemma Geary, Harold & Fay Sausser

Those serving in the Armed Forces:

Major Michael Shay, Staff Sgt. Joseph Moyer, Senior Airman Matthew Nettles, Airman Jackie Nettles, 2nd LT Heather Strouse, Sgt. Travis D. Miller, Sgt. Anthony Cooper, Private 3rd Class Caleb Levan

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR TODAY

	8:00am	10:30am
Assisting Ministers	Deb Reed	Beverly Kriner
Lectors	Karen Ochenrinder	Philip Kriner
Communion Assistants	Ellayna Boyer	Linda Covert
Usher	Bill Shay	Frank Mahoney
Sound Board	Melissa Boyer	Rachel Kramer
Children's Sermon		Linda Covert
Video Recorder		Linda Covert
Counters	Linda Collins, Deb Reed, & Marie Shay	

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

	8:00am	10:30am
Assisting Ministers	Lou Messina	James Covert
Lectors	Laurie Bedford	Bob McCloy
Communion Assistants	Julie Coleman	Rebekah CdeBaca
Ushers	Faith Batz	Luke Hale
	Conner Roeder	Noah Hale
Sound Board	Paul Boyer	Gary Reager
Children's Sermon		
Video Recorder	Kyle Nettles	
Counters	Lou Messina & Janet Sattizahn	

THE FLOWERS IN THE ALTAR VASES are to the Glory of God, in loving memory of Harold Schafer, by the Mel Schafer family.

THE FLOWERS IN THE FLOOR VASES are presented with joy and grateful praise to God, and are given in honor of Pastor James Covert to celebrate the 40th Anniversary of his ordination by the congregation of Jerusalem Lutheran Church.

TODAY WE RECOGNIZE our member, Pastor Jim Covert's, 40th anniversary of his ordination! He is also preaching and leading worship today. A small reception will be held in the narthex after each service.

PLEASE SIGN Pastor Jim's ordination anniversary card. The card is on the back table under the TV in the church narthex. Thank you!

ALL CREATION SINGS, the new hymnal supplement for our current hymnal, has arrived and donor bookplates are being installed in them. In addition to even more liturgical resources, the hymnals bring a broad array of hymns more recently composed or from around the world to broaden our singing. We plan to dedicate and begin using some of the hymns in All Creation Sings on Sunday, August 8, during worship! The hymnals are on display in alphabetical order by the donor in the narthex, so you can see them before they are spread throughout the pews for dedication and use on August 8.

An event to ***SHARE OUR HOLY LAND EXPERIENCE*** will be held Sunday, August 8, beginning at 9:15. Pictures and stories will not only show sites from the Church of the Nativity to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, but also the witness of the Lutheran Church in Jerusalem and contemporary Palestinian Christians. Mary and Pastor look forward to sharing with you!

CALLING ALL CHILDREN AGES 3 -5TH GRADE. This year's VBS will be August 10th, 11th and 12th. This year we will meet in person and follow all CDC recommended guidelines. We plan on having a lot of fun. Our theme will be "River of Life," where we are journeying down the river to learn about God's gracious gift of water. From the waters of baptism to the waters that sustain farms and gardens, water is life. But water is much more than a resource. For

people of faith, water is a powerful symbol, with significance as deep as the natural stores that cover the globe. At “River of Life,” we will learn about the importance of water like when Jesus was baptized and many other stories. Join us from 6pm-8pm for crafts, music, games, bible stories, snacks, and lots of fun. Online registration will be available by the end of the month.

WE'LL BE KICKING OFF our God's Work, Our Hands project on Sunday, August 15 after each worship service. While we enjoy a beverage, mini muffins, and, sure, some ice cream, too, we'll share our plans on participating in World Clean Up Day! Consider being a team leader and gathering a group of friends, family, or whomever you wish, to walk around town and clean up trash. All who participate will be given gloves, a reflective vest, and trash bags. World Clean Up Day is set for Saturday, September 18, 2021. Every little bit helps....because together we are making our world a better place! Please see Linda Covert to let her know that you would like to be a team leader and form your own clean up team!

FIVE EASY STEPS IN BECOMING A FANTASTIC WORLD CLEAN UP DAY TEAM LEADER:

1. Ask people to be on your clean up team. Teams consist of 2 or more people.
2. Give your team a name. Be silly....be creative!
3. Choose an area in the community that you will pick up trash.
4. Get complimentary supplies (gloves, reflective vests, and trash bags) from Social Ministry Committee for each of your team members.
5. Have fun and know you are making a difference in Schuylkill County.

FAITH AND FAMILIES NIGHT AT THE READING PHILLIES. Join us on Sunday, August 15th for the 5:15pm Reading Phillies Game. Tickets are \$9.00 each. The seats are located behind home plate under the covering. Please sign up in the lobby. Everyone is responsible for their own transportation. See Tanya with any questions.

FIELD TRIP TO BEAR CREEK CAMP, LUNCH, AND ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN JIM THORPE, Saturday, August 21. Join us to hear about the witness of our Bear Creek Camp ministry, which not only services summer youth campers, but which is also a year-round resource. Lunch will be on your own at a wonderful cafe near Bear Creek, but of course with great scenery, food, and fellowship. On the way back, we will take a tour of St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Jim Thorpe, a building filled with both rich art and history, as well as a vibrant ministry in a small-town much like ours.

FALL NEWSLETTER ARTICLES WILL BE DUE FRIDAY, AUGUST 20TH! Please drop articles in the administrator inbox in the office or email them to: mail@jerusalem.lutheran.com. Thanks!

THE 200TH ANNIVERSARY OF LUTHERAN CHRISTIAN WITNESS in Schuylkill Haven will be celebrated in the fall. From the first service of Holy Communion in November of 1821, several Lutheran congregations, a number of

pastors and leaders, and most importantly succeeding generations of Lutheran Christians have been, and will continue to be witnesses and servants to the Gospel of Jesus Christ throughout the area. If you would like to help plan the celebration that will both remember the past and continue to point us into God's future, please see Deb Reed or Pastor Rowe. Food and fellowship, remembrance and thanksgiving, witness and service into the fall!

OUR SINCERE THANK YOU to all who expressed their sympathy in the passing of my sister, Carla Zelinsky. Your kind words, prayers, and cards have been greatly appreciated. ~Linda & Marty Collins

TO ALL THE FOLKS AT JERUSALEM LUTHERAN, Thank you for all the kind words and cards of sympathy and a special thank you to the choir for the lovely flowers for the recent passing of my brother, Larry. Your kindness has been much appreciated. God's blessings to you all. ~Pastor Jim Covert

PLEASE KEEP CHRISTINE AND PETE SPONTAK in your prayers as Pete continues to recover from surgery.

THANKS TO EVERYONE for contributing their Redner's receipts to the church. The church can receive up to 1% of your grocery purchases, which help build our ministry. We will be receiving over \$200.00 from our last "batch."

NOTE: WE CAN ONLY COUNT THE RECEIPTS IF YOU USE YOUR REDNER'S REWARDS CARD. THE RECEIPTS MUST NOT BE TORN. THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP!

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK:

TODAY	8:00am Worship
	9:00am Ordination Anniversary Reception
	10:30am Worship
	11:30am Ordination Anniversary Reception
TUESDAY	7:00pm Endowment Committee Meeting
WENESDAY	6:30pm Choir Rehearsal
THURDAY	6:30pm Worship & Music Committee Meeting

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