



Three weeks ago we heard Peter's confession of faith as told in John's gospel. This week we hear Mark's version, when Peter says, "You are the Messiah." In John, the stumbling block is Jesus' invitation to eat his flesh, given for the life of the world. In Mark too the scandal has to do with Jesus' words about his own coming death, and here Peter himself stumbles over Jesus' words. But Jesus is anointed (the meaning of messiah) in Mark only on the way to the cross (14:3);

so we are anointed in baptism with the sign of the cross.

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 worshipping 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 worshipping in this way:

WELCOME

- **IN-PERSON WORSHIPERS**, please leave the first few spaces in the front parking lot for parking lot worshipers.
- **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

16th Sunday after Pentecost – September 12th, 2021

Jerusalem Evangelical Lutheran Church

252 Dock Street, Schuylkill Haven, PA 17972

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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 contact the church office.

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GATHERING

PRELUDES

More Love to Thee
Oh How I Love Jesus

Beverly Kriner, piano & Audrey Christ, French Horn

Arr. Stan Pethel

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,
whose teaching is life,
whose presence is sure,
and whose love is endless.

Amen.

Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.
Silence is kept for reflection.

God our comforter:

like lost sheep, we have gone astray.

We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity.

We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression.

We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed.

Free us from our sin, gracious God.

Listen when we call out to you for help.

Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves.

Amen.

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

By the gift of grace in † Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous.

Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins.

Amen.

ENTRANCE HYMN

God's Work, Our Hands

Purple hymnal # 1000

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

This is the feast of vic-tory for our God.

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
 2 Sing . . with all the peo - ple of God, and



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and
 Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to



hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, through suffering and rejection you bring forth our salvation, and by the glory of the cross you transform our lives. Grant that for the sake of the gospel we may turn from the lure of evil, take up our cross, and follow your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 50:4-9a

The assembly inside is seated.

⁴The Lord GOD has given me
 the tongue of a teacher,

that I may know how to sustain
the weary with a word.
Morning by morning he awakens—
awakens my ear
to listen as those who are taught.
⁵The Lord GOD has opened my ear,
and I was not rebellious,
I did not turn backward.
⁶I gave my back to those who struck me,
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;
I did not hide my face
from insult and spitting.
⁷The Lord GOD helps me;
therefore I have not been disgraced;
therefore I have set my face like flint,
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;
⁸he who vindicates me is near.
Who will contend with me?
Let us stand up together.
Who are my adversaries?
Let them confront me.
^{9a}It is the Lord GOD who helps me;
who will declare me guilty?

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalms 116:1-9

¹I love the LORD, who has ¹heard my voice,
and listened to my ¹supplication,
²**for the LORD has given ¹ear to me
whenever ¹er I called.**
³The cords of death entangled me; the anguish of the grave ¹came upon me;
I came to ¹grief and sorrow.
⁴**Then I called upon the name ¹of the LORD:
“O LORD, I pray you, ¹save my life.”**
⁵Gracious is the ¹LORD and righteous;
our God is full ¹of compassion.
⁶**The LORD watches o- ¹ver the innocent;
I was brought low, ¹and God saved me.**
⁷Turn again to your rest, ¹O my soul.
for the LORD has dealt ¹well with you.
⁸**For you have rescued my ¹life from death,
my eyes from tears, and my ¹feet from stumbling;**
⁹I will walk in the presence ¹of the LORD
in the land ¹of the living.

SECOND READING

James 3:1-12

¹Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. ²For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. ³If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. ⁴Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. ⁵So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! ⁶And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. ⁷For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, ⁸but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. ¹⁰From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. ¹¹Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? ¹²Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The assembly inside stands to welcome the gospel.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Repeat alleluia

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

GOSPEL

Mark 8:27-38

The holy gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁷Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that I am?” ²⁸And they

answered him, “John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.”²⁹ He asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Messiah.”³⁰ And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

³¹Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”

³⁴He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

Linda Covert

SERMON

Pastor David Rowe

The assembly is seated. Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

HYMN OF THE DAY *Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak*

Red Hymnal # 676

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.

Made children and heirs of God's promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Revealing God, you have made yourself known through bread and wine, water and word. Continue to nurture your church, that it is a place where your presence is experienced and shared. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Creating God, you brought life into being and called it good. Bring new creation to lands devastated by tornadoes, hurricanes, floods, fires, and other disasters (*recent destructive events may be named here*). Restore forests and curb overflowing waters. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Protecting God, you desire all people to live in peace and safety. Provide for all who are in danger. Strengthen first responders to help meet to the complex needs of others. Provide care and compassion as they face trauma themselves. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Transforming God, you announce release to the captives and freedom to the oppressed. Break chains of discrimination and injustice. Amplify voices that go unheard and inspire us to advocate for the those who are overlooked. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Forming God, you gather this community together. Shape our communal life, that in our prayer, praise, and worship, we honor you and encourage one another. Keep our disagreements civil and increase our joy in working together. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Redeeming God, you accompany your people through every stage of life. We give you thanks for the saints who now rest in your embrace (*especially*). Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; 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

Anthem of Fellowship

Jay Althouse

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-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AND CONSECRATION

The thanksgiving concludes:

. . . to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, 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

O God, Who Gives Us Life

Purple Hymnal # 1086

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord of life,
in the gift of your body and blood
you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation.
Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy,
bearing witness to the abundance of your love
in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The assembly may be seated.

INSTALLING CONFIRMATION & SUNDY SCHOOL TEACHERS

BLESSING

People of God,
you are Christ's body,
bringing new life to a suffering world.

The holy Trinity, † one God,
bless you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING SONG

Lift High the Cross

Red Hymnal # 660

DISMISSAL

The assisting minister sends the assembly into mission.

Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you.

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

Stand Up & Bless the Lord

Arr. Edwin Childs

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PRAYER LIST

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Those with Long-term health issues:

Bonnie Jean Foose, Michelle Ochenrider, Rich & Sandy Moyer, Ethan Yost, Elizabeth Taylor, Carol Landes, 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 Steficheck, Donna Leashefski, Florence Clemens, 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	Lou Messina	Beverly Kriner
Lectors	Laurie Bedford	Philip Kriner
Communion Assistants	Julie Coleman	Rebekah CdeBaca
Ushers	Joy Heffner	Luke Hale
	Conner Roeder	Noah Hale
Sound Board	Paul Boyer	Gary Reager
Children's Sermon	Linda Covert	
Video Recorder	Kyle Nettles	
Counters	Lou Messina & Janet Sattizahn	

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

	8:00am	10:30am
Assisting Ministers	Ellayna Boyer	Rob Baessler

Lectors	Julie Coleman	Bob McCloy
Communion Assistants	Karen Ochenrider	Beverly Kriner
Ushers	Deb Reed	Mark Conville
	Hunter Reed	Sheila Conville
Sound Board	Melissa Boyer	Rachel Kramer
Children's Sermon	Jim Covert	
Video Recorder	Mary Rowe	
Counters	Linda Collins, Deb Reed, & Marie Shay	

THE FLOWERS IN THE ALTAR VASES are to the Glory of God, in loving memory of, Queen Sharadin, by her daughter, Nancy Blank.

TODAY IS GOD'S WORK, OUR HANDS SUNDAY! If you haven't already signed up to join us for WORLD CLEAN UP DAY on Saturday, September 18, 2021, please take time to fill out a card and display it on the window in the lobby. Trash bags, protective gloves and safety vests are available for those who participate in cleaning up our community. Those cleaning up around Jerusalem can meet at 10:00 on Saturday morning at church. Otherwise, those cleaning up other areas of our community can do so at their convenience. Please send pictures of your clean up team to mail@jerusalem.lutheran.com. Thanks!

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND CONFIRMATION resumes TODAY at 9:15. The adult class will begin the year with Manna and Mercy, an over overview of God's love throughout the scriptures.

HARVEST HOME will be celebrated on Sunday, October 3rd, with a special offering of money and food for our Council of Church's Schuylkill Haven Food Pantry. If you have a food offering, you will be invited to bring it forward during the prelude so that it can be added to the food arrangement in the chancel. Your gifts will help to provide food to neighbors who need help with meals. The pantry distributes food on the third Friday of each month beginning at 1:00 from its location in the back of the Walk-In-Center. If you would like to help with the pantry, or our congregation's diaper project for the pantry, please see Frank Mahoney.

CROP HUNGER WALK. We will gather with others in our community or virtually to fight hunger both here and around the world. 25% of the funds benefit local Hunger, 75% proceeds will benefit Church World Service. We need Walkers and Sponsors for the Schuylkill Haven Council of Churches CROP Walk on Sunday October 3, 2021. The CROP Walk will start and end at the Council of Churches Food Pantry (at the Walk-in). Please contact Team Jerusalem, Team Captain, Jean (Edling) Loose to sign up to be a Walker, a Sponsor or both! Jean can be reached by phone or text at 570-617-1062, email jeanloose69@gmail.com or Facebook Jean Edling Loose. There is also a sign-up sheet at the lobby in the church with information. We already have a Team Jerusalem Page at crophungerwalk.org. You can join the Team ONLINE! You can ALSO DONATE ONLINE! With many more of you using the internet please participate in this event by going online and walking virtually on your

own, or at least donating to one of our Walkers! Please help make Team Jerusalem "The Cream" of the CROP Walk!

THE JERUSALEM CONCERT SERIES WILL BEGIN ITS SIXTH SEASON on October 24th at 3:00 p.m. and will feature Theodore Davis, an organist and harpsichordist from Maryland. Please mark this date on your calendars and plan to join us that afternoon. The concert series is funded by sponsorships and the free will offerings we receive at the concerts. We greatly appreciate your help in this endeavor to bring cultural events to our community that are accessible to everyone, free of charge. Sponsorship forms are available at the sign-up table in the lobby.

OLIVER LAUBENSTINE has moved to Luther Ridge. To help him get settled in, let's let him know we are thinking about him. Please send Ollie a card to: Luther Ridge, 160 Red Horse Road, RM 105, Pottsville, PA 17901.

THANK YOU for all the phone calls, cards, and prayers as Pete Spontak continues to recovery from surgery. ~Christine and Pete Spontak (To send Pete a card mail to: 141 Orchard St., P.O. Box 406, Auburn, PA 17922.)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY! Jerusalem received \$175.00 for Lutheran Disaster Response relief needs for the survivors of the Haiti earthquake.

THE TOTAL FOR THE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN as of the end of August is \$264,323.65! Thank you for your faithful giving!

WHEN YOU ARE VACCINATED, please share that information with us. Since we last asked several months ago when your responses indicated that an overwhelming number of people who gather for worship have been vaccinated, we have more people return to worship while the eligibility for the vaccine has broadened. If you have not told us you are vaccinated, please use the tear-off slip in the bulletin and turn it in. *Only through a vast majority of vaccinated worshippers will we be able to continue to worship without masks, sing throughout worship, and protect our children and young people not yet able to receive an inoculation, during this time when the covid variant and too many unvaccinated people are causing a surge in sickness.* COVID forms are available at the "Sign-Up" Center. Thanks!

PLEASE READ THE PRAYER LIST. If there are names that should be removed please contact the church office. Thank you!

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!

ST. JOHN'S UCC IN SCHUYLKILL HAVEN, located at the corner of Dock St. and Main St. will be hosting a free winter clothing give away on October 23rd (Oct. 30 rain date) from 9:00am – noon. If anyone would like to contribute clean, gently used clothing for this mission...the items can be dropped off at St. John's Church any Tuesday or Thursday from 9:30 am till 3:00 pm. Or on October 7th & 14th from 5:00 till 7:00 pm. Thanks!

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK:

TODAY	8:00am Worship 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Worship
TUESDAY	6:30pm Executive Committee Meeting 7:00pm Church Council Meeting
WEDNESDAY	6:15pm Bell Rehearsal 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal
THURSDAY	6:30pm Worship & Music Committee Meeting
FRIDAY	1:00pm Schuylkill Haven Food Pantry Distribution
SATURDAY	10:00am WORLD CLEAN UP DAY!

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When it rains, it pours. Literally. Notable news stories for the end of summer include, Hurricane Ida, an earthquake in Haiti, and our

Afghan allies seeking refuge in the United States. All these survivors are in need of food, housing, clothing, etc. Below are giving options on how we can help.



Hurricane Relief Efforts

Hurricane Ida: If you would like to donate a monetary gift to Lutheran Disaster Response Hurricane Ida, please put the additional offering in your offering envelope, and clearly mark

Relief for Victims of the



Earthquake in Haiti

in the memo area "Ida." Thank you!

The Earthquake in Haiti: If you would like to donate a monetary gift to Lutheran Disaster Response Earthquake in Haiti, please put the additional offering in your offering envelope, and clearly mark in the memo area "**Haiti.**" Thank you!



Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service

LIRS Afghan Allies Fund: If you would like to donate a monetary gift to Lutheran

Immigration & Refugee Services, please put the additional offering in your offering envelope, and clearly mark in the memo area "**LIRS.**"