



We have no good apart from God. That makes Jesus' call to follow him an invitation to freedom. This is freedom to revel in the Spirit's fruit: love, joy, peace, and patience. This is freedom to not be imprisoned by anything that would keep us from the fullness of the life God has given us. This is the path of life.

WELCOME MEMBERS, FRIENDS AND VISITORS.

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME IN WORSHIP!

Children's bulletins and coloring pages are available at the worship entrance near the baptismal font. And please, if your children do not yet receive Holy Communion, bring them forward for a blessing.

LARGE PRINT WORSHIP binders are available in the church lobby.

COVID-19 INFORMATION & CURRENT WORSHIP PRACTICES

- We have resumed congregational speaking and singing in the building.
- Hymnals are available in the pew racks.
- Wine and grape juice are once again being offered from the chalice.
- The offering plates are in the back of the sanctuary by the door.

HOLY COMMUNION

3rd Sunday after Pentecost – June 26th, 2022
Jerusalem Evangelical Lutheran Church
252 Dock Street, Schuylkill Haven, PA 17972
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GATHERING

PRELUDE

When in Our Music God is Glorified

arr. James Pethel

The bell rings calling us to worship.

OPENING PRAYER

O God We Call

Purple Hymnal # 1075

Presiding minister sings the verse 1 time. The congregation joins in and sings this verse with the minister 2 times.

O God, we call, O God, we call, from

deep in - side we yearn, from deep in - side we yearn, from

deep in - side we yearn for you.

Text: Linnea Good, b. 1962

Music: O GOD, WE CALL, Linnea Good

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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,
whose steadfast love endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,
**we confess that we have not followed your path
but have chosen our own way.
Instead of putting others before ourselves,
we long to take the best seats at the table.
When met by those in need,
we have too often passed by on the other side.
Set us again on the path of life.
Save us from ourselves
and free us to love our neighbors.
Amen.**

Hear the good news!
God does not deal with us according to our sins
but delights in granting pardon and mercy.
In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.
You are free to love as God loves.
Amen.

ENTRANCE HYMN

Let All Things Now Living

Red Hymnal # 881

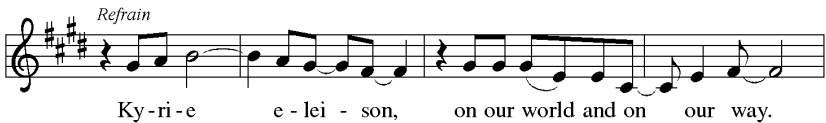
GREETING

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.

KYRIE



- 1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
- 2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the
- 3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
- 4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the



u - ni - ty of all; for
 hun - gry and the poor; that
 friends and fam - i - ly; for
 wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
 we may live out truth and jus - tice and grace,
 life and for love, for our work and our play,
 nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

HYMN OF PRAISE



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 - mighty God and Fa - ther,



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



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



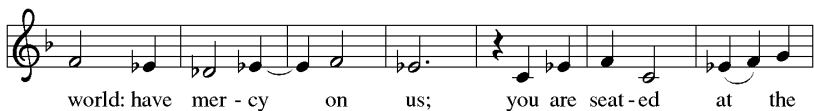
est, the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



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



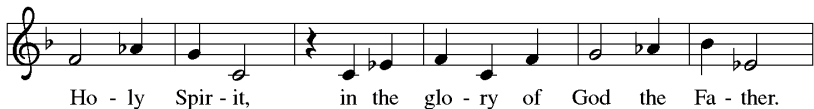
peace to God's peo - ple on earth. 3 For you a -



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

The presiding minister leads the assembly in prayer.

Sovereign God, ruler of all hearts, you call us to obey you, and you favor us with true freedom. Keep us faithful to the ways of your Son, that, leaving behind all that hinders us, we may steadfastly follow your paths, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

WORD

FIRST READING

1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21

The assembly is seated. The lector reads the lessons from the pulpit.

¹⁵Then the LORD said to [Elijah,] “Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. ¹⁶Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place.

¹⁹So he set out from there, and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was plowing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over him. ²⁰He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, “Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you.” Then Elijah said to him, “Go back again; for what have I done to you?” ²¹He returned from following him, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out and followed Elijah, and became his servant.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 16

The lector and the congregation read the Psalm responsively.

¹Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;

I have said to the LORD, “You are my Lord, my good above all other.”

²**All my delight is in the godly that are in the land,
upon those who are noble among the people.**

³But those who run after other gods
shall have their troubles multiplied.

⁴**I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods,
never take their names up on my lips.**

⁵O LORD, you are my portion and my cup;
it is you who hold my lot.

⁶**My boundaries enclose a pleasant land;
indeed, I have a rich inheritance.**

⁷I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel;
my heart teaches me night after night.

⁸**I have set the LORD always before me;
because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.**

⁹My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices;
my body also shall rest in hope.

**¹⁰For you will not abandon me | to the grave,
nor let your holy one | see the pit.**

¹¹You will show me the | path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are
pleasures for- | evermore.

SECOND READING

Galatians 5:1, 13-25

¹For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

¹³For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. ¹⁴For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” ¹⁵If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

¹⁶Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. ¹⁸But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. ¹⁹Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, ²⁰idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, ²¹envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

²²By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, ²³gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. ²⁴And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The assembly 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.



GOSPEL

Luke 9:51-62

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

⁵¹When the days drew near for [Jesus] to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. ⁵²And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; ⁵³but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. ⁵⁴When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, “Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?” ⁵⁵But he turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶Then they went on to another village.

⁵⁷As they were going along the road, someone said to him, “I will follow you wherever you go.” ⁵⁸And Jesus said to him, “Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.” ⁵⁹To another he said, “Follow me.” But he said, “Lord, first let me go and bury my father.” ⁶⁰But Jesus said to him, “Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.” ⁶¹Another said, “I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home.” ⁶²Jesus said to him, “No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH

the Rev. Larry Laine

SERMON

the Rev. Larry Laine

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

HYMN OF THE DAY

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

Red Hymnal # 697

The assembly stands to 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

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

United in Christ and guided by the Spirit, we pray for the church, the creation, and all in need.

A brief silence.

God of faithfulness, set the face of your church firmly on you. Rooted in your self-giving love, may the church find freedom in loving our neighbors. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

God of gentleness, strengthen the earth's ability to heal. Where there are dangerous storms, bring calm. Where there are destructive fires, bring rain. Protect homes, habitats, and livelihoods threatened by climate disasters. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

God of peace, guide all who govern, that they place the good of their citizens above self-promotion. Anoint leaders of nations with your Spirit of neighborly love. Protect refugees and all who live under tyranny or conflict (*especially*).

God of grace,

hear our prayer.

God of kindness, reveal your healing presence to all who are sick or dying. Uphold those who grieve. Support the needs of any who are unemployed, hungry, or have nowhere to lay their heads. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

God of love, attend to those struggling with addiction, depression, or uncontrolled anger. Provide support systems and loving companions as they work toward health, that they may rest in hope and know the fullness of joy in your presence. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

God of joy, we give thanks for all who have died and now celebrate the inheritance of life in you. Keep their examples of faithfulness always before us, that we trust your promises in life and in death. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

God of every time and place, in Jesus' name and filled with your Holy Spirit, we entrust these spoken prayers and those in our hearts into your holy keeping.
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

Jubilate Deo
Audrey Christ, solo

Jerry Estes

God's Word is sung or played as an offering. Let us participate in the anthem with our prayerful listening.

MEAL

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The assembly stands. The presiding minister invites the assembly to give thanks.

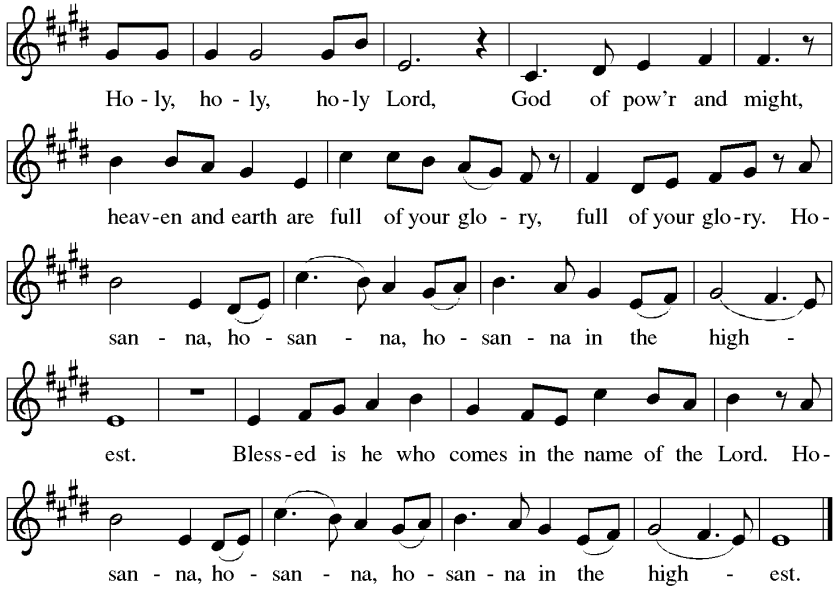
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

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 presiding minister continues with the communion preface; then the assembly responds:



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.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER V

...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,

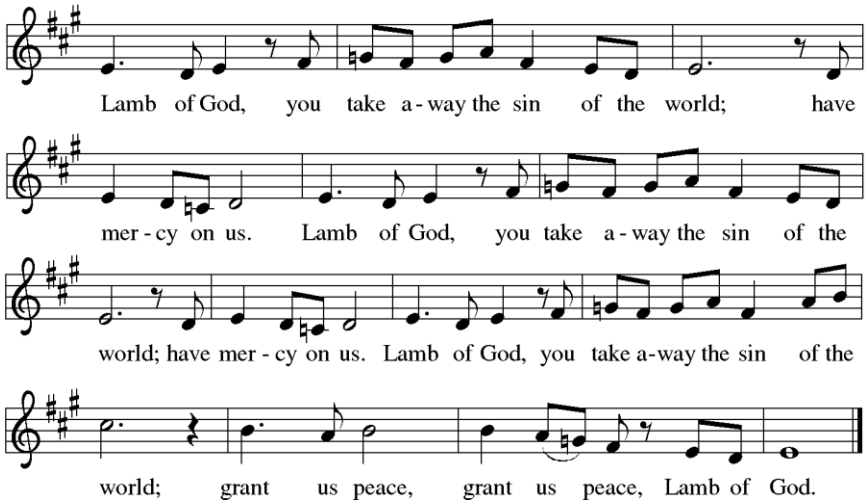
forever and ever.

Amen.

COMMUNION

The presiding minister says:

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.



Lamb 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; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

The assembly is seated. All baptized Christians who wish to receive Christ in the meal are welcome to receive the Eucharist. Ushers will dismiss you by pew. Please take an empty glass if you wish to receive wine, or a glass prefilled with grape juice. If you wish to receive communion at your seat please speak with an usher. And please, if your children do not yet receive Holy Communion, bring them forward for a blessing.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

Come to the Banquet

Joseph Martin

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

The presiding minister says:

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

Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The assembly stands. The presiding minister leads the prayer.

Life-giving God,

through this meal you have bandaged our wounds
and fed us with your mercy.

Now send us forth to live for others,

both friend and stranger,

that all may come to know your love.

This we pray in the name of Jesus. **Amen.**

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The assembly may be seated

BLESSING

The presiding minister proclaims God's blessing.

The God of peace,

Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit,

bless you, comfort you,

and show you the path of life

this day and always.

Amen.

SENDING SONG

What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine

Red Hymnal # 774

DISMISSAL

The presiding minister sends the assembly into mission.

Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Toccatina & Chorale

Mark Sedio

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MINISTRY NEWS

PRAYER LIST

Joanna Sirianni Edwards, Ed Freed, Pauline Crawshaw, Karen Tropp, Diane Buffington, Jack Harnock, Marie Harnock, Keith Shoener, Tom Gerber, Kelly Carl, Leslie R., Mary Beth (Krater) Dinneen, Stewart Haver, Sue Sigler, Robert Schwartz, Craig Bracken, Paul Calderone, Nicholas LaScala, Gail Kunkel, Lee Llewellyn, Caroline Eister, Jeanette Stine, Christopher Payonk, Seth Ney, Renee Shade, Ben Moyer, Gaylene Ebling, Wally Foose, Jane Deibert, Tom Cook, Ronald Bromwell, Lisa Weiser, Janest Yost, Madge Miller, Melissa Focht, Cecelia Kacmar, Melanie Hart, Janice Moore, Christie O'Dell, John Cooper, Clarence Zweizig, Melvin Rodriguez & family, JoAnn Baker Copley, Carlene Wenner, Christy Deaton Stocks, Maria Motto, Katharine Macnutt, Mateo Thomas, Barry Heffner, Phyllis Trinca Czech, Stephen Edwards, Christa Miller, Cathy Covach-Hale, Rev. Bruce MacLaughlin, Mary Miller, Rose Martin-Fuls, Earle Kull, Trent Johnson, Mary Rauch, Tom Lokitus, Albert Tripp, Helen Fath, Diana Vasquez, Dorothy & Dan Ness, Robin Moran, Kendra Johnson, Rob Baessler, Stanley Daniels, Darlene and Bob Zechman, Diane Laine, Eileen Guitas, Zoey Heydt, Bill O'Donnell, Ann Marie Pyle, Lisa Katiou, Lee Miller

Those with Long-term health issues:

Bonnie Jean Foose, Michelle Ochenrider, Rich & Sandy Moyer, Ethan Yost, Carol Landes, Donna Direnzo, Jim Musico, John Krater, Fawn Goodman, Rebecca Marshall, Sapphire Schaeffer, Mark Wyllie, Krysta Kolbe, Shirley Emrich, Anna Heffner, David Wise, Donna Leashefski, Florence Clemens, Chuck Copley, Jeff Kamar, Mary Sewalt, Casey Watson, Linda Bonfiglio-Boyer, Harold & Fay Sausser, Ruth Brown, Kevin Seibert, William O'Donnell, Cheryl Feeser

Those serving in the Armed Forces:

Major Michael Shay, Staff Sgt. Joseph Moyer, Senior Airman Matthew Nettles, Airman Jackie Nettles, Sgt. Travis D. Miller, Sgt. Anthony Cooper

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR TODAY

	8:00am	10:30am
Lector	Julie Coleman	Greg Gross
Communion Assistants	Karen Ochenrider	Rob Baessler
Ushers	Faith Batz Bill Shay	Frank Mahoney Don Boyer
Sound Board	Paul Boyer	Danika Kuhar
Acolyte	Donald Nettles	
Counters	Lou Messina, Rob Baessler, and Janet Sattizahn	
Altar Guild	Joy Heffner	

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

	8:00am	10:30am
Lector	Lou Messina	Jill McCloy
Communion Assistants	Janet Sattizahn Jean Loose	Linda Covert

Ushers	John Macnutt	Frank Mahoney
	Bill Shay	Tom Gohsler
Sound Board	Melissa Boyer	Rachel Kramer
Acolyte	Don Nettles	
Counters	Linda Collins, Deb Reed, Marie Shay	
Altar Guild	Janet Sattizahn	

WEEKLY NEWS

THE LITTLE FREE PANTRY IS SPONSORED THIS WEEK in loving memory of my parents, Robert and Betty Shuman, for their wedding anniversary by Deb.

ATTENTION WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS! There are still open spots for the month of July! The sign-up sheets are at the “Sign-Up” Center. August sign-up sheets are out now as well! As always – THANK YOU for being a worship volunteers!

JOIN US FOR THE 1ST MINI-RETREAT, today at 2:00 pm at Pastor Covert’s home. There is a sign-up sheet at the “Sign-Up” Center! Everyone is welcome!

SPECIAL MUSIC PRELUDE ON SUNDAY, JULY 3RD! Please plan to arrive at 7:45 am and 10:15 am next Sunday for a special marimba prelude!

JOIN US SUNDAY MORNINGS FOR THIS SPECIAL MUSIC:

- July 3 @ both services- Marimba Quintet of the Bob Novak Studio
- July 10 @ 10:30- Youth singer Katie Dietrich
- July 24 @ 10:30- Hometown Saxophone Quartet
- July 31 @ both services- Angela Dowd, cello & vocals
- August 7 @ 10:30- Karin McMillen vocalist (Pastor Laine’s daughter)
- August 14 @ 10:30- Karen Terry Ludwig, lap dulcimer & hammered dulcimer (Audrey’s aunt)
- August 28 @ 10:30- Judy Schmaldienst Flute Studio

There will be other special music provided by our own church members!

EVERY YEAR JERUSALEM PARTICIPATES IN THE ELCA’S GOD’S WORK, OUR HANDS SUNDAY. This year GOD’s Work, Our Hands Sunday is on September 11th. Given the date, we thought it would be a good time to honor our first responders. We have chosen 3 Fire Companies in Schuylkill Haven to give useful donations. The details of the project will be shared at each worship service on July 10, 2022. Please join us on July 10 to find out how to honor our Firefighters! A special fellowship time will follow both services. Light refreshments will be served.

DISCOUNT KNOBELS TICKETS can be obtained from Christine Spontak. Call 570-745-7630 for more information.

CHURCH KEYS NEEDED. Do you have a copy of Jerusalem’s key? If you have a copy of the church key and do not need it, please, turn it into the office.

ALTAR VASE FLOWER SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE for Sunday, July 17, and Sunday, July 31. If there is someone you would like to have flowers in honor or in memory of please contact the church office at 570-385-2657. Thank you!

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK:

TODAY 8:00am Worship
 10:30am Worship
 2:00pm Mini-Retreat (Pastor Covert's Home)
TUESDAY 5:30pm JCCC Staff Meeting (Church Library)

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Please Note: the Church Office will be closed on Monday, July 4th in Observance of Independence Day.