



*The mustard seed becomes a great shrub that shelters the birds, recalling ancient images of the tree of life. We'd expect a cedar or a sequoia, but Jesus finds the power of God better imaged in a tiny, no-account seed. It's not the way we expect divine activity to look. Yet the tree of life is here, in the cross around which we gather, the tree into which we are grafted through baptism, the true vine that nourishes us with its fruit in the cup we share. It may not appear all that impressive, but while*

*nobody's looking it grows with a power beyond our understanding.*

## **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 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.

### **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.

### **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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## **HOLY COMMUNION**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021**  
**Jerusalem Evangelical Lutheran Church**  
**252 Dock Street, Schuylkill Haven, PA 17972**  
**570-385-2657 \* [www.jerusalemchurch.com](http://www.jerusalemchurch.com)**  
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### **GATHERING**

**PRELUDE**

*Air*

**J.S. Bach**

*Verdant Meadows*

**G. F. Handel**

*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

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

# 807

## 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.



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

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

*Refrain*

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**

O God, you are the tree of life, offering shelter to all the world. Graft us into yourself and nurture our growth, that we may bear your truth and love to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

**WORD**

**FIRST READING**

**Ezekiel 17:22-24**

*The assembly inside is seated.*

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

I the LORD have spoken;  
I will accomplish it.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM**

**Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15**

<sup>1</sup>It is a good thing to give thanks | to the LORD,  
to sing praise to your name, | O Most High;  
<sup>2</sup>**to herald your love | in the morning**  
**and your faithful- | ness at night;**  
<sup>3</sup>on the psaltery, and | on the lyre,  
and to the melody | of the harp.  
<sup>4</sup>**For you have made me glad by your | acts, O LORD;**  
**and I shout for joy because of the works | of your hands. R**  
<sup>12</sup>The righteous shall flourish | like a palm tree,  
and shall spread abroad like a ce- | dar of Lebanon.  
<sup>13</sup>**Those who are planted in the house | of the LORD**  
**shall flourish in the courts | of our God;**  
<sup>14</sup>they shall still bear fruit | in old age;  
they shall be | green and succulent;  
<sup>15</sup>**that they may show how up- | right the LORD is,**  
**my rock, in whom there is | no injustice.**

**SECOND READING**

**2 Corinthians 5:6-17**

<sup>6</sup>So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord—<sup>7</sup>for we walk by faith, not by sight. <sup>8</sup>Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. <sup>9</sup>So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. <sup>10</sup>For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

[<sup>11</sup>Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. <sup>12</sup>We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. <sup>13</sup>For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. ] <sup>14</sup>For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. <sup>15</sup>And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them.

<sup>16</sup>From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. <sup>17</sup>So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

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**

**Mark 4:26-34**

The holy gospel according to Mark.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

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

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

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

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**ANTHEM**

*If Anyone Be in Christ*  
**The Christ Family**

*A prerecorded anthem is available to view in Sunday’s recorded service on our website, Facebook page, and YouTube Channel.*

**CHILDREN’S SERMON**

**Tanya Cartwright**

*A prerecorded children’s sermon is available to view in Sunday’s recorded service on our website, Facebook page, and YouTube Channel.*

**SERMON**

**Pastor David Rowe**

*Silence for reflection follows the sermon.*

*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.*

Let us come before the triune God in prayer.

*A brief silence.*

Holy God, you plant the seeds of faith in every nation and make it grow. Enliven your church, so that the good news of your grace may take root and grow throughout the world. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Creator, even the trees, shrubs, and flowers delight in your goodness. From the depths of the soil to the highest mountain, bring forth new plants. Restore growth to places suffering drought, especially as water becomes scarce in the southwestern part of our country. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Judge of nations, we pray for our leaders and those in power. Grant them the ability to regard those under their charge with humility, dedicating their lives in service to others. Bring forth cooperation and sharing among countries, so that suffering and death from the coronavirus is reduced throughout the world. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**



Divine comforter, you show compassion to those in need and provide relief to those who call on you. Bless all who suffer, especially people trapped in cycles of poverty and homelessness. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Sovereign God, this house of worship belongs to you. We give thanks and pray for all who share with us their joyful gift of music. We dedicate to you the praiseful sound that comes from this place; the cries of children, the melody of voice and instruments, and the songs from our hearts. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Eternal God, we give thanks for our ancestors in the faith who are now at home with you. We look forward to that day when we are reunited in your new creation. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

*We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace. 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.**

### **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.**

...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 ANTHEM***In You, We Are One***Jay Althouse****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**

*The assembly may be seated.*

**TEMPLE TALK: SYNOD ASSEMBLY AND THE WIDER CHURCH****Don Boyer****BLESSING**

The blessing of God,

who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,

✠ be upon you now and forever.

**Amen.****SENDING SONG***Spread, Oh, Spread, Almighty Word***# 663****DISMISSAL**

*The assisting minister sends the assembly into mission.*

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.****POSTLUDE***We're Marching to Zion***Wayne Wold**

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Bonnie Jean Foose, Michelle Ochenrider, Rich & Sandy Moyer, Ethan Yost, Elizabeth Taylor, Carol Landes, Maureen Moyer, Janice Barr, Donna Direnzo, 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

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**WORSHIP LEADERS FOR TODAY**

	<b>8:00am</b>	<b>10:30am</b>
<b>Assisting Ministers</b>	<b>Lou Messina</b>	<b>Rob Baessler</b>
<b>Lectors</b>	<b>Laurie Bedford</b>	<b>Bob McCloy</b>
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	<b>Julie Coleman</b>	<b>Rebekah Cdebaca</b>
<b>Ushers</b>	<b>Joy Heffner</b> <b>Don Nettles</b>	<b>Don Boyer</b>
<b>Sound Board</b>	<b>Paul Boyer</b>	<b>Rick Heckrote</b>
<b>Video Recorder</b>		<b>Linda Covert</b>
<b>Counters</b>	<b>Lou Messina &amp; Janet Sattizahn</b>	

**WORSHIP LEADERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY**

	<b>8:00am</b>	<b>10:30am</b>
<b>Assisting Ministers</b>	<b>Ellayna Boyer</b>	<b>Linda Covert</b>
<b>Lectors</b>	<b>Julie Coleman</b>	<b>Rebekah Cdebaca</b>
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	<b>Karen Ochenrider</b>	<b>Rob Baessler</b>
<b>Ushers</b>	<b>Deb Reed</b> <b>Hunter Reed</b>	<b>Frank Mahoney</b> <b>Jane Mahoney</b>
<b>Sound Board</b>	<b>Melissa Boyer</b>	<b>Rachel Kramer</b>
<b>Video Recorder</b>		<b>Mary Rowe</b>

## Counters

**Linda Collins, Deb Reed, & Marie Shay**

***THE FLOWERS IN THE ALTAR VASES*** are to the Glory of God, in loving memory of Phyllis Trapani by her children and grandchildren.

***THE FLOWERS IN THE FLOOR VASES*** are to the Glory of God, in loving memory of Virgil Scott, by his wife, Barbara.

### ***DEAR PEOPLE OF GOD,***

Thank you for marking and celebrating the fortieth anniversary of my ordination. The wonderful service of worship pointed well beyond me to God's grace, and the joy that we all shared in worship and then in the reception was a great gift as well. Mary and I also thank the planners and coordinators who brought everything together. Thank you for your partnership in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Peace, Pastor Rowe

### ***AT THE ANNUAL NORTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA SYNOD***

***ASSEMBLY***, Deborah Reed was elected from our Schuylkill Mission District to the 2022 ELCA Church wide Assembly in Columbus, Ohio, and Mary was elected to the same assembly, but as a member at large. Donald Boyer was elected the synod treasurer – a volunteer position calling for great skill and much time. Please congratulate them all, and pray for them as they participate in the leadership of the wider church.

***THIS SUNDAY AND NEXT SUNDAY*** leaders will give Temple Talks to lift up the vital ministry and partnership of the wider church. We celebrate the broader expression of the church that does everything from overseeing and caring for pastors and congregations, to planting new churches, to training leaders, to standing with and feeding the poor and marginalized, to sending missionaries to partner churches throughout the world. Through prayers and offerings, this work of God is supported by us, and this year (unlike many years) we seek not only to come close to our goal for Mission Support (benevolence) offerings, but to meet and exceed that goal. Please join our leaders in giving even more generously to mission support!

***\$75,000!*** Thanks to your generous and faithful giving to the four-year capital appeal for the new roof and heating, ventilation, and air conditioning system, we have not only been able to make our monthly payments toward the fifteen-year loan, we have now been able to put an additional \$75,000 down to accelerate repayment and to save significant interest over the life of the loan – all the while keeping a healthy reserve in the appeal fund in the event of an emergency or economic downturn.

***A CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE!!*** As of May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021, our Capital Campaign has a balance of \$249,231.23. We're getting close to our goal of \$350,000. Thank you so much for your faithful giving.

***CHURCH OFFICE CLEAN UP.*** We are trying to find a good home for the

large wooden set of drawers back by the copier. If you are interested in the drawers, feel free to look them over after the service. The drawers are free, but we do ask that you do the hauling and transporting of the drawers. Thank you.

**PARKING LOT WORSHIPPERS**, if the heat of your car is too much. Feel free to bring a lawn chair under the shade of the cloister walk. You will be able to hear the service from the outdoor speaker.

**AN UNEXPECTED GIFT OF \$3,936.16** has been received from Thrivent for Jerusalem's ministry! The letter simply says, "This grant is made possible through the generosity of **The Paul and Barbara (Moyer) grow fund**, a donor-advised fund held at Thrivent Charitable Impact and Investing," and when contacted by phone, Thrivent would give no further information in order to keep the details anonymous. Because this grant was apparently given to recognize and encourage our ministry, Church Council will look for a special way to use this gift to enhance our mission and ministry! By the way, if you own any Thrivent products, please remember that you have "choice dollars" to designate each year (and they expire each year) to a variety of church ministries including Jerusalem. We never know who gives their choice dollars to us – Thrivent sends us checks without any further donor information.

**OUR HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING SYSTEM** now purifies the air with ions. When the air circulates, the ions kill viruses and molds, and also more efficiently filters out pollen. Ionization in ventilation is now being installed or built into schools (like the new Blue Mountain Elementary) and hospitals. We are grateful for this technology, which together with vaccines and selective masking, further reduces infection, while improving air quality.

**CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK:**

<b>TODAY</b>	8:00am Worship 10:30am Worship
<b>TUESDAY</b>	11:00am Coronavirus Task Force 6:00pm Childcare committee Meeting
<b>WENESDAY</b>	6:30pm Choir Rehearsal
<b>FRIDAY</b>	1:00pm Schuylkill Haven Food Pantry Distribution

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# Ways you can SERVE

“...<sup>28</sup>just as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.”

~Matthew 20:28, NRSV

As we try to return to “normal” worship, we need to add new volunteers to our worship volunteer pool. Roles that have disappeared during the pandemic, such as, lector and communion assistant are now coming back. If you are willing to serve the church with your talents and become an active part in ministry please let us know we can add you to our volunteer pool. Please fill out this form and turn it into the church office. Thank you!

Worship Roles: Usher, Greeter, Assisting Minister, Lector, Communion Assistant, Video person, Sound Board, Altar Guild, Offering Counter, Newsletter Assembler, and Acolyte.

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I/we \_\_\_\_\_ would like to  
serve as a \_\_\_\_\_.