



Today is the first of five Sundays with gospel readings from John 6, the first four of which focus on Jesus as bread of life. Today Jesus feeds thousands of people with five loaves and two fish. What we have, what we bring to Jesus' table, seems like it is not nearly enough to meet all the needs we see around us. But it is not the adequacy of our supplies or our skills that finally makes the difference: it is the power of Jesus working in the littlest and least to transform this world into the world God desires, a world where all the hungry are satisfied.

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

9th Sunday after Pentecost – July 25th, 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

Canon in D

Johann Pachelbel

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

Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty

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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


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

Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Grant that we may know your Son to be the true bread of heaven and share this bread with all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING

2 Kings 4:42-44

The assembly inside is seated.

⁴²A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to [Elisha,] the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his

sack. Elisha said, “Give it to the people and let them eat.” ⁴³But his servant said, “How can I set this before a hundred people?” So he repeated, “Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the LORD, ‘They shall eat and have some left.’” ⁴⁴He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the LORD.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalms 145:10-18

¹⁰All your works shall praise | you, O LORD,
and your faithful | ones shall bless you.

¹¹**They shall tell of the glory | of your kingdom
and speak | of your power,**

¹²that all people may know | of your power
and the glorious splendor | of your kingdom.

¹³**Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures
through- | out all ages.**

**You, LORD, are faithful in all your words, and loving in | all your
works.**

¹⁴The Lord upholds all | those who fall
and lifts up those who | are bowed down.

¹⁵**The eyes of all wait upon | you, O LORD,
and you give them their food | in due season.**

¹⁶You open | wide your hand
and satisfy the desire of every | living thing.

¹⁷**You are righteous in | all your ways
and loving in | all your works.**

¹⁸You are near to all who | call upon you,
to all who call up- | on you faithfully.

SECOND READING

Ephesians 3:14-21

¹⁴For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. ¹⁶I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, ¹⁷and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. ¹⁸I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

²⁰Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

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 6:1-21

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. ²A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. ³Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. ⁴Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. ⁵When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, “Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?” ⁶He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. ⁷Philip answered him, “Six months’ wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.” ⁸One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, said to him, ⁹“There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?” ¹⁰Jesus said, “Make the people sit down.” Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. ¹¹Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. ¹²When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, “Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.” ¹³So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. ¹⁴When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, “This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.”

¹⁵When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

¹⁶When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, ¹⁷got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. ¹⁸The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing.

¹⁹When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the

sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. ²⁰But he said to them, “It is I; do not be afraid.” ²¹Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

Tanya Cartwright

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

SERMON

Pastor David Rowe

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

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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.

We pray for the church. Bless the ministries of our neighboring congregations who are partners in ministry. Empower churches throughout the world and encourage missionaries who accompany global neighbors. Kindle in us a spirit of collaboration, that all people may know your loving works. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We pray for creation. Send rain to lands experiencing drought and come to the aid of those enduring sweltering heat. Give rest to weary firefighters battling forest fires in the west. Nurture wheat and barley crops grown for the nourishment of your people and conserve aquatic habitats and fish populations. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We pray for those who govern. Cast out arrogance, selfishness, and corruption, and instruct those who lead to practice compassion and humility. Inspire them with a vision of the common good and a commitment to ensure that all who hunger are fed. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We pray for those bowed down by heavy burdens: those who are unemployed or underemployed, those unable to find affordable housing, and those without health insurance. Bring comfort to those who have lost loved ones, jobs, or health due to the Covid pandemic. Console those who grieve and hear the cries of those who call to you for healing, especially all whom we now raise in prayer before you. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We pray for this assembly. Deepen our resolve to use what we have to serve those in need. When we worry that we do not have enough resources for ministry, assure us of your abundance. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We give thanks for those who have died. As you sustained them through all their days, so dwell in our hearts, that we may have the power to comprehend, with the Apostle James and all the saints, the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge. 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

God is Wisdom, God is Love

Jay Althouse

MEAL

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The presiding minister invites the assembly to give thanks.

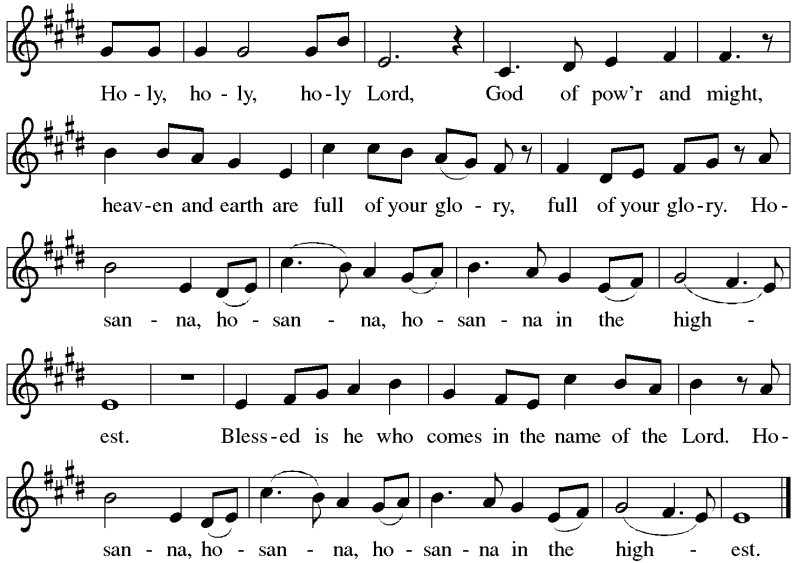
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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'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

What Feast of Love

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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.

BLESSING

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

Amen.

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***O God Our Help in Ages Past*****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, 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 Steficheck, 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 & Faye 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	Karen Ochenrider	Phil Kriner
Lectors	Lou Messina	Beverly Kriner
Communion Assistants	Joy Heffner	Mary Rowe
Ushers	Faith Batz Bill Shay	
Sound Board	Paul Boyer	Danika Kuhar
Video Recorder		Mary Rowe
Counters	Lou Messina, Rob Baessler, and Janet Sattizahn	

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

	8:00am	10:30am
Assisting Ministers	Deb Reed	Philip Kriner
Lectors	Karen Ochenrinder	Beverly 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	

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!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS. Next Sunday, August 1st, we will recognize our member Pastor Jim Covert's 40th anniversary of his ordination. He will preach that day as well. A small reception will be held in the narthex after each service.

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!

ALTAR VASE SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE on August 22nd or August 29th. Please call the church office if you would like to have flowers in memory of or in honor of someone. 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 SINCEREST SYMPATHIES to our dear members who have lost loved ones recently. Peace be with Jim and Linda Covert and Rachel Kramer as they mourn the loss of Larry, Jim's brother and Rachel's uncle. Peace be with Linda Collins, as she mourns the loss of her sister, Carla. Peace be with Anna Mae Berger, as she mourns the loss of her sister, Sara. Peace be with Karen and Rob Baessler, as they mourn the loss of Karen's brother. Please keep them in your prayers as they continue their journey through grief.

LOOKING FOR A WHEEL CHAIR DONATION. If anyone has a wheel chair in good condition and does not need it, the church would appreciate a donation.

PART TIME HELP WANTED FOR LOCAL COUPLE. About 8 hours a week; mainly yard work. Contact Paul or Wendy Boehm (570) 754-7809.

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.

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
10:30am Worship
TUESDAY 11:00am Coronavirus Task Force Meeting
7:00pm Schuylkill Haven Council of Churches Meeting
WENESDAY 6:30pm Choir Rehearsal
7:00pm Property Committee Meeting

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