

*Prayer after Communion

Pastor: 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. **C: Amen.**

*Blessing

Pastor: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, + be upon you now and forever. **C: Amen**

*Recessional Hymn:

Jesus, Still Lead On

LBW 341

*Dismissal

Pastor: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. **C: Thanks be to God.**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:
Please keep the following in your prayers:

Dave Lamar Walter Maul Elzy Pauley Carolyn Pinos Ava Stancovich
Emma Rosman Tom Hodgkinson Carson Berkheimer

Prayers are asked for the family of Ida Kerch.

This morning, Jack Seymore, an authorized lay worship leader in the Allegheny Synod, ELCA will distribute the gifts of bread wine.

Newsletter items are due today, June 16, 2024. This is for the July, August, and September newsletter. Please place items in Becky Canavan or Sharon Cordwell's mailboxes in the back of the church. Thank You.

If anyone is in need of Pastoral care, please call the Allegheny Synod Office to make arrangements at (814) 942-1042.

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Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

June 16, 2024

*First Lutheran Church (814) 736-3662
Worship Sundays at 9:00 am*



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Communion Hospitality

Lutheran Christians believe Christ is truly present in his supper. By faith we receive his Body and Blood "in, with, and under" the forms: of bread and wine for our forgiveness, life, and salvation. All baptized Christians who desire to receive Jesus in his sacrament, are welcome to commune..

Sanctuary candle is in memory of Dad, Elzy Pauley by Kay. Tall candles are in loving memory of Dad, Frank Pohopin by Karen. Small candles are in loving memory of Dad, Steve Kerch by Marty and Brenda.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Setting II

Parish Announcements

Prelude

*= Stand (The sign of the cross + may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.)

*Announcements:

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, and the God of mercy. **C: Amen.**

Pastor: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection. Please kneel as you are able.

Pastor: 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.

Pastor: Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed an 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 LBW 250

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C: And also with you.**

*Kyrie p. 78

*Hymn of Praise p.79

*Prayer of the Day: **Pastor:** The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

First Reading: Ezekiel 17:22-24 L: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15 (Read Responsively)

Second Reading 2 Corinthians 5:6-10 [11-13] 14-17 L: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

*The Verse p. 83

*Holy Gospel: Mark 4:26-34 **C: Glory to you O Lord .**

C: Praise to you O Christ

Sermon

*Hymn of the Day

*Apostles' Creed

*Prayers of the Church

Pastor: Merciful God,

Receive our prayer.

*Passing of Peace **Pastor:** The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C: And also with you.**
The minister and congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord, and then be seated.

Offering

The offering is received as the Lord's table is prepared.

*Offertory

"Let the Vineyards"

*Offertory Prayer

Pastor: Jesus, Bread of Life you have set this table with your very self, and called us to feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. **C: Amen.**

Liturgy of Holy Communion

*Great Thanksgiving and Sanctus

*When our brothers and sisters at Zion Lutheran Church in Hollidaysburg gathered for worship, we heard again the story of God's mighty acts and the love shown to us in Jesus' life, death, resurrection, and ascension, and we shared in the holy meal of the Lord's Supper. Now, I bring to you this same word of life, and this same bread and cup of blessing, so that we may share these gifts and be strengthened in communion with all the people of God.

Gathered at the Lord's table, we celebrated with thanksgiving that "in the night in which Jesus was betrayed, he took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples saying: Take and eat; this is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me. Again, after supper he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink saying: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me." This is the supper our Lord Jesus Christ, and this meal is shared with the assurance of our Lord's presence through the gift of the Holy Spirit. This bread and cup, shared in the gathering of our faith, are now given here for you..

*The Lord's Prayer p. 91

*Invitation to Communion: **Pastor:** Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

*Agnus Dei

"Lamb of God"
*As the ministers give the bread and wine, they say these words to each communicant:
'The body of Christ, given for you.' & 'The blood of Christ, shed for you.'
After each, the communicant may say: 'Amen.'*

Distribution

Communion Hymn:

*Post Communion Blessing

Shall We Gather at the River

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