

Sixteenth Sunday after PENTECOST



September 12, 2021 + 10:00 am

Followers of Jesus, sharing God's love with all...

an adventure for life!

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

In Preparation for Worship

- Within the sanctuary please remember that some people use this time of silence to prepare for worship.
- Whenever the cross is carried in procession through the congregation, we turn to face the cross to signify our way of life as followers of Jesus.
- Large-print bulletins and copies of the worship order are available; ask an usher for assistance.
- Assistive hearing devices are available from the ushers.

Love Your Neighbor

- We strongly encourage all people to wear masks in worship and in other larger group settings.
- The far side, or north side, of the sanctuary is set up for social distancing. People who have not been vaccinated or are more comfortable maintaining social distancing please sit there.
- The south side, closest to the double doors, pews are not restricted and should be used by those who have been vaccinated.
- Those who wish may stand during the opening and closing hymns and the reading of the Gospel.
- During the passing of the peace, people who wish to hug and be hugged may do so; if you do not wish to be hugged, we suggest you place your palms together under your chin in the "namaste" posture as a way to share the peace in a distanced way.
- Individual communion elements are available to pick up inside the sanctuary door.
- If you wish to use one of the first-floor bathrooms, please follow instructions in the bathroom about disinfecting it after your use. Only one person at a time in the restrooms.

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen/All Night, All Day,
arr. Mark Hayes

Welcome



Stand in body or spirit

Hymn You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd

Dm Gm Dm Am7 Dm

1 You, Lord, are both lamb and shep - herd. You, Lord, are both
2 Clothed in light up - on the moun - tain, stripped of might up -
3 You, who walk each day be - side us, sit in pow - er
4 Wor - thy is our earth - ly Je - sus! Wor - thy is our

Gm7 Am Bb F Gm Dm Am

prince and slave. You, peace - mak - er and sword - bring - er
on the cross, shin - ing in e - ter - nal glo - ry,
at God's side. You, who preach a way that's nar - row,
cos - mic Christ! Wor - thy your de - feat and vic - t'ry.

Dm C Bb Am7 Dm Gm

of the way you took and gave. You, the ev - er - last - ing
beg - gared by a sol - dier's toss, you, the ev - er - last - ing
have a love that reach - es wide. You, the ev - er - last - ing
Wor - thy still your peace and strife. You, the ev - er - last - ing

Dm7 Gm6 Am C7 Dm Gm Am Dm

in - stant; you, whom we both scorn and crave.
in - stant; you, who are both gift and cost.
in - stant; you, who are our pil - grim guide.
in - stant; you, who are our death and life.

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Music: French carol; arr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*, 1978

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PICARDY

Greeting

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

Hymn of Praise

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



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



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.



Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and



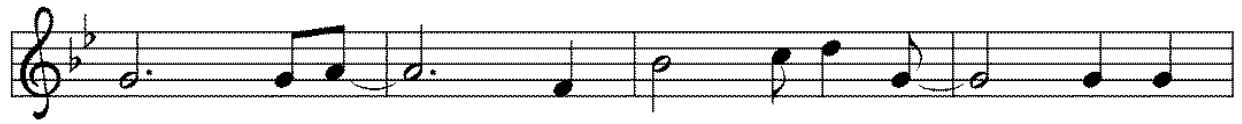
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his. *Refrain*



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and

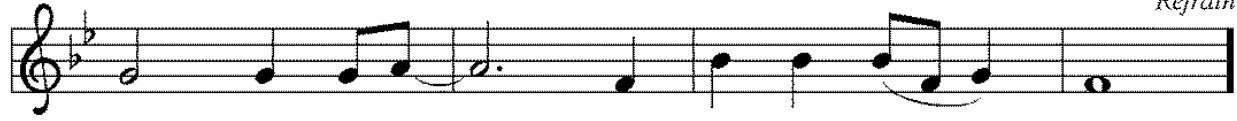


join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:

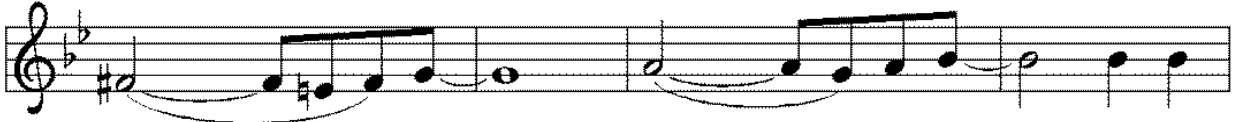


Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to

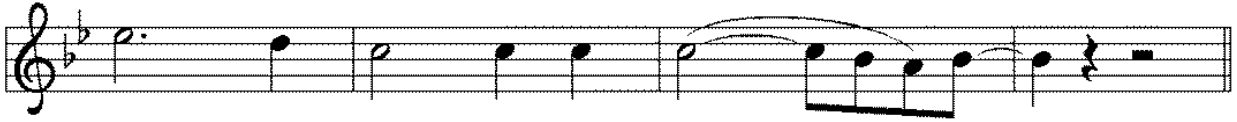
Refrain



God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

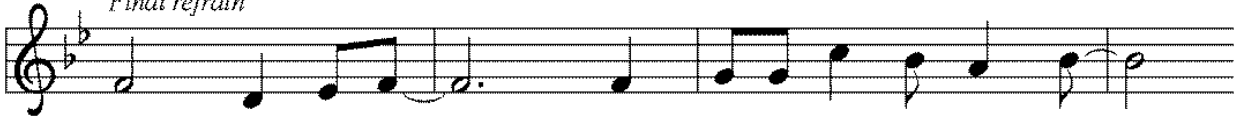


3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

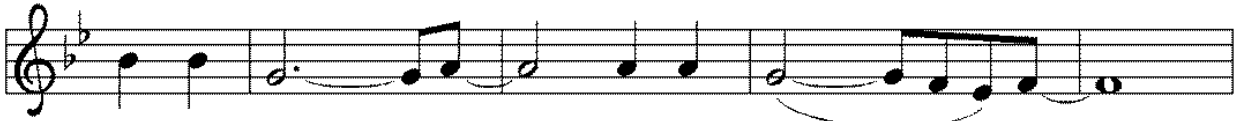


gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

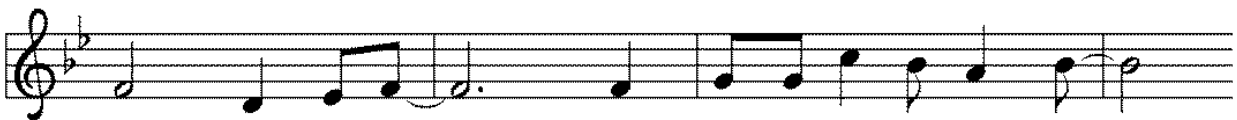
Final refrain



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



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



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



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

Please be seated



WE PROCLAIM THE WORD

Reading

James 3:1-12 (The Message, adapted)

A reading from the letter of James

Don't be in any rush to become a teacher, my friends. Teaching is highly responsible work. Teachers are held to the strictest standards. And none of us is perfectly qualified. We get it wrong nearly every time we open our mouths. If you could find someone whose speech was perfectly true, you'd have a perfect person, in perfect control of life.

A bit in the mouth of a horse controls the whole horse. A small rudder on a huge ship in the hands of a skilled captain sets a course in the face of the strongest winds. A word out of your mouth may seem of no account, but it can accomplish nearly anything—or destroy it!

It only takes a spark, remember, to set off a forest fire. A careless or wrongly placed word out of your mouth can do that. By our speech we can ruin the world, turn harmony to chaos, throw mud on a reputation, send the whole world up in smoke and go up in smoke with it, smoke right from the pit of hell.

This is scary: You can tame a tiger, but you can't tame a tongue—it's never been done. The tongue runs wild, a wanton killer. With our tongues we bless God; with the same tongues we curse the very men and women made in God's image. Curses and blessings out of the same mouth!

My friends, this can't go on. A spring doesn't gush fresh water one day and brackish the next, does it? Apple trees don't bear strawberries, do they? Raspberry bushes don't bear apples, do they? You're not going to dip into a polluted mud hole and get a cup of clear, cool water, are you?

Word of God, Word of Life

Thanks be to God.



Psalm 116:1-9



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I love the LORD, who has | heard my voice,
and listened to my | supplication,
for the LORD has given | ear to me
whenev- | er I called.

The cords of death entangled me; the anguish of the grave | came upon
me;

I came to | grief and sorrow.

Then I called upon the name | of the LORD:

“O LORD, I pray you, | save my life.”

Gracious is the | LORD and righteous;
our God is full | of compassion.

The LORD watches o- | ver the innocent;
I was brought low, | and God saved me.

Turn again to your rest, | O my soul.
for the LORD has dealt | well with you.

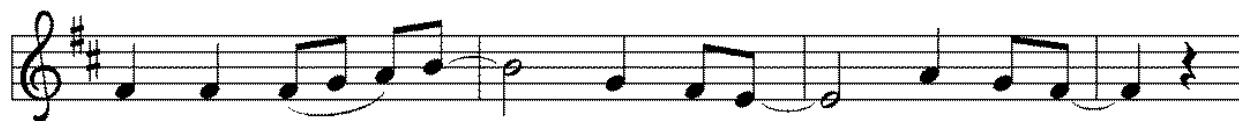
For you have rescued my | life from death,
my eyes from tears, and my | feet from stumbling;

I will walk in the presence | of the LORD
in the land | of the living.

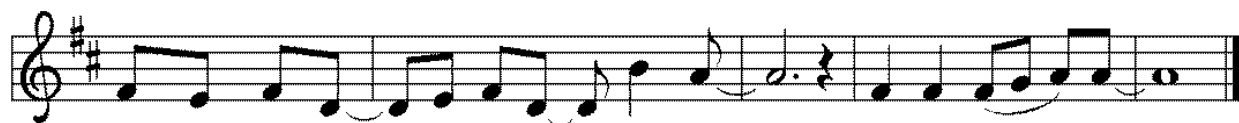


Stand in body or spirit

Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel Mark 8:27-38 (The Message, adapted)

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus and his disciples headed out for the villages around Caesarea Philippi. As they walked, he asked, “Who do the people say I am?” “Some say ‘John the Baptizer,’” they said. “Others say ‘Elijah.’ Still others say ‘one of the prophets.’”

He then asked, “And you—what are you saying about me? Who am I?”

Peter gave the answer: “You are the Christ, the Messiah.”

Jesus warned them to keep it quiet, not to breathe a word of it to anyone.

He then began explaining things to them: “It is necessary that the Son of Man proceed to an ordeal of suffering, be tried and found guilty by the elders, high priests, and religion scholars, be killed, and after three days rise up alive.” He said this simply and clearly so they couldn’t miss it.

But Peter grabbed him in protest. Turning and seeing his disciples wavering, wondering what to believe, Jesus confronted Peter. “Peter, get out of my way! Satan, get lost! You have no idea how God works.”

Calling the crowd to join his disciples, he said, “Anyone who intends to come with me has to let me lead. You’re not in the driver’s seat; I am.

Don’t run from suffering; embrace it. Follow me and I’ll show you how.

Self-help is no help at all. Self-sacrifice is the way, my way, to saving yourself, your true self. What good would it do to get everything you want and lose you, the real you? What could you ever trade your soul for?

“If any of you are embarrassed over me and the way I’m leading you when you get around your fickle and unfocused friends, know that you’ll be an even greater embarrassment to the Son of Man when he arrives in all the splendor of God with an army of the holy angels.”

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

Message

LIVING THE QUESTION

Ministry of Music

You Are The Christ

David Angerman
Senior Choir

Then Jesus asked his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?
Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah,
some say Jeremiah, or a prophet from long ago."

Jesus then asked Peter, "Who do you say I am?"

Refrain:

You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.
You are the Christ, the solid Rock on which I stand.
And I will tell your story, shout your glory, sing forevermore -
You are Christ, the solid Rock on which I stand.

Today He still asks his people, "Who do you say the Son of Man is?
Am I just a prophet? Am I just a teacher?
What will your answer be today? What will you say?"

Refrain

Refrain

You are Messiah, you are my Savior,
You are the Rock on which I stand!



Apostles Creed

Let us confess our faith in the Triune God as expressed in these historic words:

**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.**

Community Prayers

Let us pray....

Amen.

Included in our daily prayers are those with special needs or concerns:

Bebe McCoy, Robin Stokes, Lea Spang, Bonnie Hegreiness, Heidi Carman, Cora Marquez, Mary Kennedy, Kelly Scott, Diane Louangrath, Kevin Bailey's sister Kleta Childs, Kathie and Nancy Ehrich and their niece and sister-in-law, Stan Heacock, Jeremy Davis, Bebe McCoy's brother-in-law Walt and sister Jan, Brittany Parsons, Lynn Belhorn's friend MaryAnn, Shirley and Jack Miller, Jon Denniss, Mary Bowling's sister Val, Carolyn and Ed Klopfer, Nancy Stinson's brother Tom Starkey, Barbara and David Hairston, Grace and Ken Jones, John Kennedy's niece Michele Wolfe, Kris Kauffman, Karen Kent, Beatrice Watts Young, Arnell Comstock, Dottie Odrosky, Bob Gray, Dereck and Damon Stewart and family, Bob Rapp, Paula Carson, Kathie Ehrich's sister Betty Weaver, Mike Shugert's aunt and uncle Livvy and Jim Schleicher, Sheryl Owens' granddaughter Sophie, Bill Boys family members Eric Boys, Dr. Joshua Boys, Dr. Patty Lorenzo Boys, August Boys, Flight Nurse Jeffrey Key, and Dr. Katie Key.

The people of Grace Lutheran Church, Pickerington; Redeemer community members Kathy and Bob Rapp

Children's Time

Younger elementary Bibles

Blessing of the Backpacks

Sharing the peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

We take time to greet one another with words like Peace be with you.

WE SHARE HOLY COMMUNION

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

Lift up your hearts.

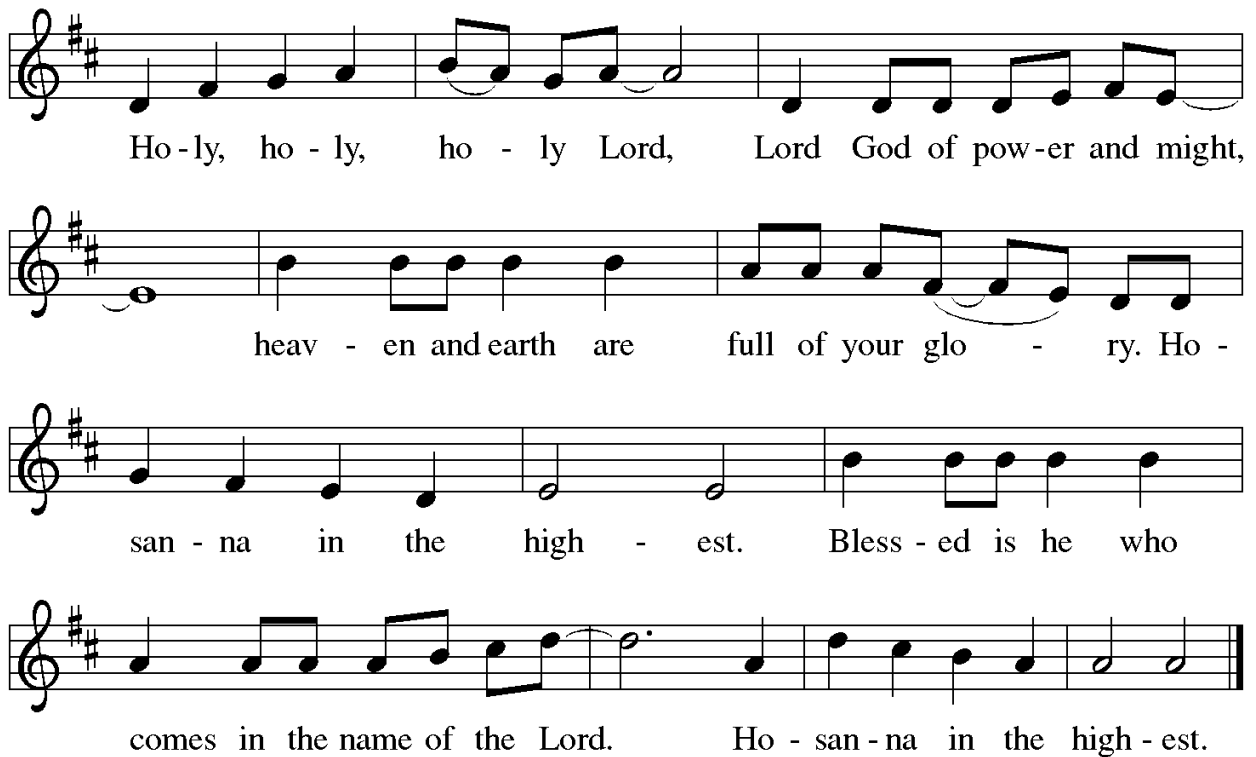
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

And also with you.
We lift them to the Lord.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

This is the table of our Lord on which he sets his tokens of love and hope and to which he calls all who want to share his life. So come—whether your faith is strong or weak, whether your hope shines brightly or is dimmed. Come, ready to receive—for all are welcome at the feast of love.

We join our voices now in that great song of love and adoration that creation sings back to you.



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



We remember on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it and gave it to his friends and said—“Take, eat: This is my body, which is given for you. Do this to remember me.”

After supper, he took a cup of wine and gave it to them, saying, “This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood. It is shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. As often as you drink this, do so to remember me.”

We commit ourselves to becoming a people of hope as we pray the prayer Jesus teaches us:

Lord’s Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

And so, as we do in this place what Christ did in an upstairs room, send your Holy Spirit on us, and on these gifts of bread and wine, that the story of hope—of death and rising of new life, and the fruit of your beloved community—may continue on in us and through us.

Sharing the Meal

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Generous God, whose story and song are now and always the hope of the world: We praise you for the stories of creation and incarnation, redemption and resolution—the unending words of love. We rejoice in your song of yearning and calling, waiting and welcoming, gathering and cherishing—the eternal music of hope. **Amen.**





WE ARE SENT

Stand in body or spirit

Hymn

Draw the Circle Wide

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Draw the cir-cle_ wide. Draw it wid-er still. Let this be our_

song, no one stands a - lone, stand-ing side by side, draw the cir-cle_

To verses Last time, Fine

wide. wide.

1. God the still - point of the cir - cle, 'round whom all cre -
 2. Let our hearts touch far hor - i - zons, so en - com - pass
 3. Let the dreams we_ dream be larg - er, than we've ev - er

- a - tion turns; noth - ing lost, but
 great and small; let our lov - ing
 dreamed be - fore; let the dream of

held for - ev - er in God's gra - cious arms_ _
 know no bor - ders, faith - ful to God's call_ _
 Christ be in us, o - pen ev - ry door_ _

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Draw the cir-cle_ wide. Draw it wid-er still. Let this be our

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Blessing

Amen.

Announcements

Postlude

***I've Got the Joy*, arr. Pepper Choplin**

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Redeemer has been asked by the mission team of Unity Presbyterian Church to join them **Monday, Sept. 27** and **Tuesday, Sept. 28**, to do some painting for an eastside youth mentoring program, **All THAT**. The ***Dispatch*** did a big story on them in their Aug. 30 issue. No special skills are needed at all, and you can offer your services for whatever length of time you wish. There's also a need for some shrubbery pruning. This seems like a simple way to be a big help.

Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the hallway.
Contact Dave Shull if you're interested or have questions.

Oesterlen, a mental health treatment center for emotionally, behaviorally and psychologically troubled children and youth in Springfield OH, is sponsoring a free online and in-person seminar for faith communities on "Understanding Mental Health and Addiction."

The second session speaker is **Wendy Doolittle** on **Thursday, September 16 at 3:30 p.m.** Doolittle, who is the CEO of a nonprofit in Springfield that provides substance abuse treatment and support services, will address understanding the brain and addiction.

The session can be watched online by registering before noon Thursday at <https://forms.gle/jtaqGPvnrLgL768r7> .

Adult Sunday School
11:15 am Sundays



Re-introducing Jesus

Don Luck presents a four-part exploration of the person and significance of Jesus reflecting contemporary biblical and theological scholarship.

Topic: **Sunday Adult Education Zoom Meeting**
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86804527196?pwd=WVNPejFLQUpL TjJFVkc3czVubTRZdz09>
Meeting ID: **868 0452 7196** - Passcode: **229032**
Phone only: **646 876 9923**



The Parables of Jesus **Tuesdays - 1:00 pm** **In Person - Zoom**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87137366983?pwd=T0NoUU5ORmNYNIYrajhpZ2hGR09pdz09>
Meeting ID: **871 3736 6983**
Passcode: **619946** - Phone only: **646 876 9923**



A Brewing Faith

This Tuesday, August 10 6:30 pm

Conversation and fellowship

Via Zoom

Topic: Brewing Faith Zoom Meeting

Time: 06:30 PM

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Meeting ID: **884 0660 7138**

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Phone only: **646 876 9923**



Coffee and Conversation

Third Wednesdays

11:00 AM-12:30 PM – Room 2

Honest exploration of questions about faith and life



**LSS/MidOhio Food Collective
Produce Giveaway**

**Thursday
September 16**

Volunteers always welcome!

*Please advise either the Church Office or Sue Watson
(sue.watson@columbus.rr.com or 614-560-4261).*

We need an accurate count and appreciate your support!



Chime Choir

**Rehearsal
Sundays 8:45 am**

**Make a joyful
noise with us!**



RLC Garden Giveaway

Produce from our own garden
and donations from friends and neighbors

**Saturday mornings
10 am until gone**



**Monthly Sunday School for all ages!
Sunday, September 12 == 11:15 am**

ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME
CROP HUNGER WALK

Meet Yabes!



VEGGIES, EGGS AND A SIDE OF HOPE.

SEEDS, CHICKENS & YOU

the winning combo to end hunger

CROP HUNGER WALK
ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME
BY **CWS**

Yabes and her daughter Sifralili are posing happily in their new vegetable garden in West Timor, Indonesia. Just outside the scope of the camera are a rooster, some hens and the chirping sounds of 50 baby chicks.

Before, Yabes struggled to keep her little girl healthy.

“Sifralili was often sick...I had no water and could not keep our home in a hygienic way...we rarely ate vegetables because we couldn't plant a garden and we could not afford to buy them in the market, either.”

As part of the CWS Zero Hunger initiative, Yabes now has a protected clean water source. She received seeds and training to build a home garden. With the gift of a rooster and three hens, she's now collecting eggs and raising enough chickens to turn a profit. She has saved almost enough to build a latrine for her family.

When you support a CROP Hunger Walk, you are there investing in global neighbors like Yabes with this winning combo for a healthier, more prosperous life. More mothers like Yabes need your help. Together we can continue to transform communities in Indonesia and around the world. **Give today!**

\$15  **HOME GARDENING FOR A FAMILY**

\$24  **CHICKENS FOR A FAMILY**

\$64  **WINNING COMBO PLATE***

\$115  **FAMILY LATRINE**

*seeds, tools, chickens & clean water access

“Give generously, for your gifts will return to you later. Divide your gifts among many, for in the days ahead you yourself may need much help.”

— ECCLESIASTES 11:1 (TLB)

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OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Presiding Minister	David Shull, Pastor
Assisting Minister	Kay Ernsthausen
ASL Interpreter	Bryan Neal
Reader	Hitoshi In Phillips
Cantor	Emily Kent
Organist & Senior Choir Director	Kathy Rapp
Pianist & Chimes Choir Director	Karen Kent
Usher	Kathleen Zwanziger
Verger	Michelle Clemence
Producers	Scott Steiner, Tom Mimplitch

*Flowers are dedicated by **Judith and Ashley Bird**, celebrating their anniversary.
Noisy Offering will go to ELCA Disaster Relief.*

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER SEPTEMBER 12 - 19

Today	10:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion
	11:15 am	IN-PERSON and ZOOM Adult Education IN-PERSON Sunday School for all ages
	12:30 pm	Confirmation gathering
Tuesday	1:00 pm	IN-PERSON and ZOOM Bible Study
	6:30 pm	ZOOM Brewing Faith
Wednesday	11:00 am	Coffee and Conversation
Thursday	3:00 pm	LSS / MOFC Food Giveaway
Saturday	10:00 am	RLC Garden Giveaway
Next Sunday	8:45 am	Chime Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion
	11:15 am	IN-PERSON and ZOOM Adult Education



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