

A Reconciling in Christ congregation, celebrating the diversity of God's children and fostering understanding and healing in community

### **Second Sunday after Pentecost**



June 2, 2024

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.
- Please silence your cell phone.

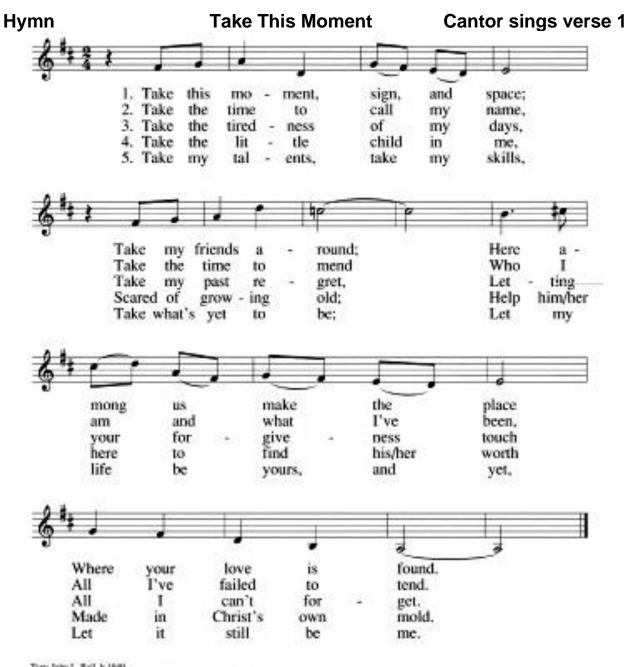
#### **WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP**

Please be respectful of people who use this time to prepare for worship.

**Prelude** 

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart, arr. Ron Schmoltze

Welcome



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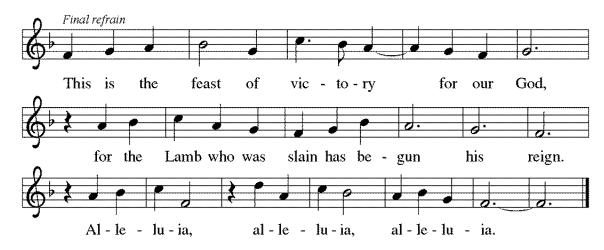
#### Greeting

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**





Please be seated

#### WE PROCLAIM THE WORD

#### Reading

**Deuteronomy 5:12-15** 

(New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition)

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

[Moses continued to speak God's commandments to the people:] "Observe the Sabbath day and keep it holy, as the Lord your God commanded you. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the Lord your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the Lord your God commanded you to keep the Sabbath day."

May we open ourselves to what the Spirit is saying to the church. Amen.

#### Psalm 81:1-10



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Sing with joy to | God our strength

and raise a loud shout to the I God of Jacob.

Raise a song and | sound the timbrel, the merry harp, | and the lyre.

Blow the ram's horn at I the new moon, and at the full moon, the day I of our feast;

for this is a stat- | ute for Israel, a law of the | God of Jacob.

God laid it as a solemn charge upon Joseph, going out over the I land of Egypt,

where I heard a voice I I did not know:

"I eased your shoulder | from the burden; your hands were set free from the grave- | digger's basket.

You called on me in trouble, and I de- I livered you;

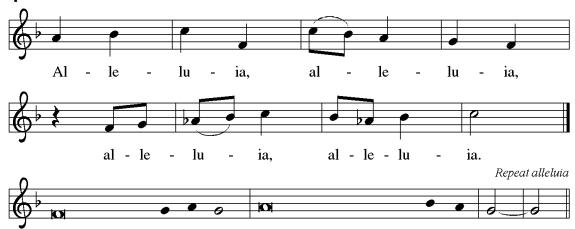
I answered you from the secret place of thunder and tested you at the wa- I ters of Meribah.

Hear, O my people, and I will ad- | monish you: O Israel, if you would but lis- | ten to me!

There shall be no strange | god among you; you shall not worship a | foreign god.

I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the | land of Egypt. Open your mouth wide, and | I will fill it.

#### **Gospel Acclamation**



Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e-ter - nal

#### Gospel

Mark 2:23-3:6 (The Message, inclusivized) Glory to you, O Lord. The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark

One Sabbath day Jesus was walking through a field of ripe grain. As his disciples made a path, they pulled off heads of grain. The Pharisees told on them to Jesus: "Look, your disciples are breaking Sabbath rules!"

Jesus said, "Really? Haven't you ever read what David did when he was hungry, along with those who were with him? How he entered the sanctuary and ate fresh bread off the altar, with the Chief Priest Abiathar right there watching—holy bread that no one but priests were allowed to eat—and handed it out to his companions?" Then Jesus said, "The Sabbath was made to serve us; we weren't made to serve the Sabbath. The Human One is in charge of the Sabbath."

Then he went back in the meeting place where he found a man with a crippled hand. The Pharisees had their eyes on Jesus to see if he would heal him, hoping to catch him in a Sabbath violation. He said to the man with the crippled hand, "Stand here where we can see you."

Then he spoke to the people: "What kind of action suits the Sabbath best? Doing good or doing evil? Helping people or leaving them helpless?" No one said a word.

He looked them in the eye, one after another, angry now, furious at their hard-nosed religion. He said to the man, "Hold out your hand." He held it out—it was as good as new! The Pharisees got out as fast as they could, sputtering about how they would join forces with Herod's followers and ruin him.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

#### **Musical Reflection**

#### O Worship the King

arr. Mark Hayes

#### **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....

After each petition: "Your mercy is great, O God." Receive our prayer.

Amen.

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

Bebe McCoy, Robin Stokes, Bonnie Hegreness, Heidi Carman, Mary Kennedy, Kevin Bailey's sister Kleta Childs, Jeremy Davis, Bebe McCoy's brother-in-law Walt and her sister Jan, Brittany Parsons, Mary Bowling's sister Val, John Kennedy's niece Michele Wolfe, Maddie Sutphin, Skye Andree, Carolyn Moehring, Kris Kauffman, Kathy Richter, Ruth Murray's daughter Ellen Rose, John Kennedy's sister and brother-in-law, Becky & Vic Wolfe, Kathie Ehrich, Elaine Warren, Nate Bird's in-laws Rose and Wendell Jordan, Lorien Dana, Becky Trover's niece Olivia Theissen, Kandice Hoddinott-Ward, Brittany Amon, John Huber

For the people of Reformation Lutheran Church in Columbus For Redeemer community member Sue Yehling

#### Time with the Young People

#### **Sharing the peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

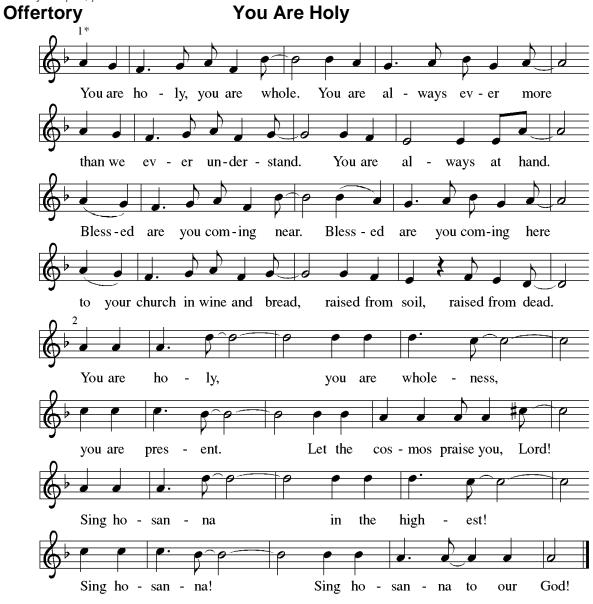
Members are encouraged to move around the sanctuary to greet each with a hearty handshake or a hug.

For those who have special concerns or who do not wish close contact, please offer a sign of blessing to let others know you are more comfortable greeting them from a distance. We will continue to take a moment to greet those who are worshiping via livestream before greeting those in the sanctuary.

#### **WE SHARE HOLY COMMUNION**

Jesus invited all who were hungry for food, healing, justice, and joy to share this communion meal.

Since this is his meal, and he is present to us in it, all are welcome.

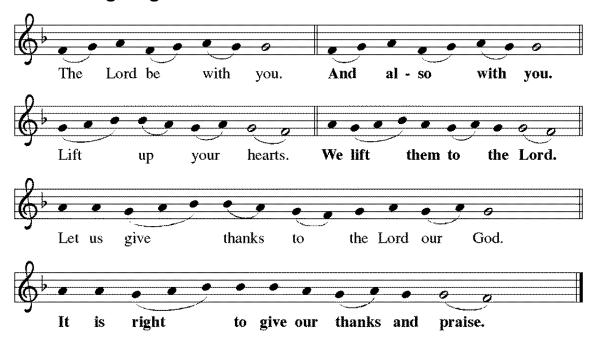


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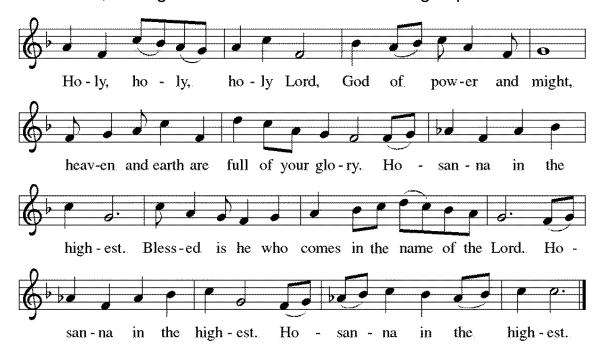
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#### **Great Thanksgiving**



In the beginning, the Spirit brooded time into being, so that God could give form to the world. At the Incarnation, the Spirit breathed God's time into being, so that the world could receive the Word. Through Pentecost, the Spirit brought a new time into being, so that the Word could meet us everywhere.

Holy God, your Christ sends the Spirit to be a companion to all who follow your Way. As inheritors of both the challenge and the comfort of your Way, we join with all who have made this journey in other places and at other times, raising our voices in this timeless song of praise:



Entering these gifts of bread and wine, the Spirit blesses this time, and makes Christ alive in this meal to comfort, challenge, and transform us. Here at this table, through the power of the Spirit, God's time and our time come together in bread and wine, making grace something we can touch and taste.

We recall how Jesus, drawing near to the end of his time on earth, ate a last meal with his friends. We remember how his words and actions disturbed and dismayed them; but also how he offered them comfort and encouragement. We remember that he took bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to his friends saying, "Take this and eat. This is my body broken for you. Do this to remember me." And after supper he took a cup, 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. Do this to remember me."

Hear us now as we commit ourselves to your Way, and pray the prayer Jesus taught 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.

As we share these gifts of grace, may the Holy Spirit take and transform them that we may know both their comfort and their challenge, and so transform ourselves and our days. Here is bread and wine – touched and transformed by the Spirit. Come, eat and drink, and be healed and strengthened to face all that life brings.

#### **Sharing the Meal**

The gifts of God, for the people of God. Jesus welcomed all to this meal. So do we.

Please be seated

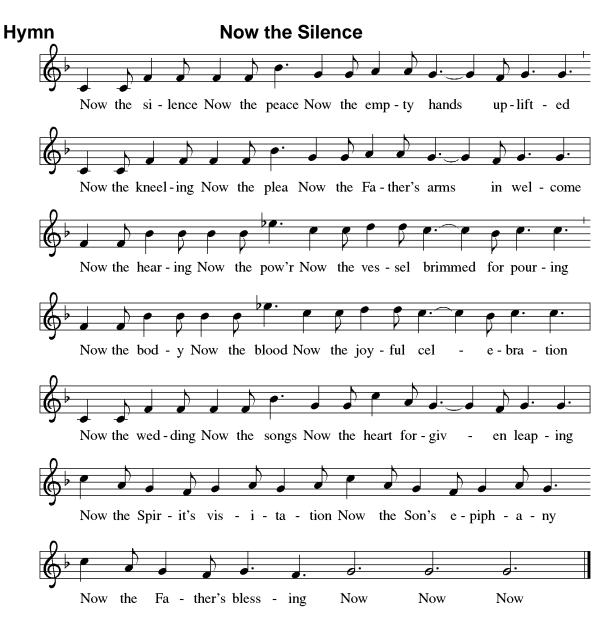
You may come forward to receive the elements, remain seated and use the pre-filled communion cups available at the door, or let an usher know you'd like to be served in your seat. Wine is in the outer rings of the tray, grape-apple juice in the inner ring. Gluten-free wafers are available on request, ask Pastor.



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Please stand in body or spirit

#### Prayer of Thanksgiving

Loving Spirit, continue to form and nurture us as we grow in following you. As you led Jesus into the wilderness, stir us out of ease and safety as we follow the way of Christ. As you transformed the disciples, grace and gift us for the task of building the beloved community Christ lived, died, and rose for. Continue to comfort and discomfort us until justice prevails, peace reigns, and love directs all.

Amen.

#### **WE ARE SENT**

#### **Hymn**

#### Listen, God Is Calling

Neno lake Mungu



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Blessing Amen.

#### **Announcements**

#### **Postlude**

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Pastor Dave will be on vacation from Monday-Sunday, June 3-16, returning to the office on Monday, June 17.

Between June 3-8, emergency pastoral coverage will be provided by Rev. Julianne Smeck (734-972-6126). Between June 9-14 and June 16, it will be provided by Rev. Dave Richie (740-377-5883).

On Saturday, June 15, contact Pastor Dave at 206-725-3785.

# Adult Ed – 11:15 am Living our Faith as Citizens Adult Education Class Discusses New Draft ELCA Statement on Living our Faith as Citizens

In this season of the BREAD Nehemiah Action on May 21, Memorial Day, and elections, it's timely to ask the question, How as Lutherans should we understand our relationship to civic life — including government — as individuals and as a church body?

An Evangelical Lutheran Church in America task force led by experts in theological ethics has been addressing this question for the past three years. This group has issued "A Draft Social Statement on Civic Life and Faith." For the next couple of Sunday mornings, our adult education class will read through a summary of this statement and discuss what it says about faith and public life. Any who wish can submit comments and suggestions to the task force until September 30.

Copies of the draft statement will be available Sunday. You can also access the summary and the entire document at

www.elca.org/civicsandfaith.

In-Person and Zoom:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88957366923?pwd=TnV6cFB4ZUp ET25USTgzZ0diZlhnQT09

Meeting ID: 889 5736 6923 = Passcode: 383835 Phone only: 1-312-626-6799





#### Columbus Pride Parade

Saturday, June 15

Pre-parade check-in 8:00 am Join us and other local Lutheran RIC congregations

Register at https://forms.gle/v6TcfBBJjhto3YQd9

To order a t-shirt https://epiphanypickerington.second slide.io/products/PRIDE/pride

See Reflections for details.



call the church office 614:237:1263



LSS Food Pantry

First Wednesdays 12:30-4:00 pm

Contact Kathleen Zwanziger to volunteer



#### Fans! Fans! and more Fans!

Sister Act is again sponsoring the collection of **box fans** to be distributed at our June 20 food giveaway. The goal for this year is 170 fans.

You may either donate fans [watch for sales!] or make a monetary contribution for the purchase of fans -just put "fans" in the Check memo.

If you have questions, contact Julianne Johnson.



#### LSS/MidOhio Food Collective Food Giveaway

#### Thursday June 20

Extras this month: Personal Summer Care (sunscreen, kids' sunscreen, body lotion, insect repellent) And FANS, FANS, AND MORE FANS!

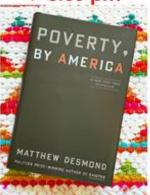
Volunteers always welcome!

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!

#### Summer Book Study

Wednesdays June 19 & 26 July 3 & 10 7-8:30 pm



## Matthew Desmond's Poverty, By America

Join us to discuss a book that begins with the statement: "The United States, the richest country on earth, has more poverty than any other advanced democracy. Why?"



Saturday, June 22 - 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Redeemer's Youth are raising funds for the 2024 Youth Gathering with a yard sale on the church lawn. To help make the sale a success, they are looking for donations of gently used items in good condition.

Donations can be dropped off at the church by Sunday, June 16. The current location is in the Fellowship Hall on the stage. "We will update this information soon including how to request pick up of items so stay tuned!"

In the meantime, for any questions, please contact
Wendy at wendystoica@earthlink.net or call or text her at
614-477-3247.

#### **OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY**

**Presiding Minister** David Shull, Pastor **Assisting Minister** Naomi Morgan Nancy Magargal Reader Cantor **Emily Kent ASL Interpreter Bryan Neal Organist & Senior Choir Director** Kathy Rapp **Pianist & Chime Choir Director** Karen Kent Usher Judith Bird, Ashley Bird Michelle Clemence / Wendy Stoica Verger **Communion Prep** Michele Disbro, Cathy Oldham Toshi Phillips, Sachio Phillips **Producers** Michelle Clemence **Hospitality** 

Flowers are given by **John Kennedy** in memory of **Marcelene A. Kennedy**.

Noisy Offering will go to World Central Kitchen.

#### THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER JUNE 2 – 9

Today	10:00 am	In-Person and Livestream Worship with Holy Communion
	11:15 am	In-Person and Zoom Adult Education
Tuesday	5:15 pm	ZOOM Outreach Team
Wednesday	12:30-4 pm	RLC at LSS Food Pantry
Thursday	6:30 pm	Basketball Camp orientation
Next Sunday	10:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion
	11:15 am	Sunday School for all ages
	11:15 am	In-Person and Zoom Adult Education

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