



Sunday Worship
September 1, 2024
Draw near to God
for God is waiting for you.

* indicates where the congregation is to stand if able
italic type is spoken by the liturgist – bold is spoken by the congregation

HYMN SING

****CALL TO WORSHIP***

Love the Lord your God,
with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind!
Love your neighbor as yourself,
with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind!
Do this and you will live!
Let us worship God!

****OPENING PRAYER.***

Give your church, O God, the grace to serve you with courage, that our lives may be a witness to your compassion and our actions a testimony to your mercy. Though Jesus Christ our Lord, by the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray. Amen

****HYMN # 305*** Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

1. Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!
For Christ the Lord has led us through the ages long!
2. Long years have come and gone, and still God reigns supreme,
empowering us to catch the vision, dream the dream!
3. Let courage be our friend; let wisdom be our guide,
as we in mission magnify the Crucified!
4. Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!
For Christ the Lord has triumphed o'er the ages long!
Refrain: In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now and praise the Lord!

CALL TO CONFESSION AND RECONCILIATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND BROKENESS

God of Mercy: We confess that we have failed to live as your beloved sons and daughters. We have set our minds on the things of this world, and we have neglected the inheritance of love you bestow upon your saints. We have pursued selfish aims in our daily business; we have harbored uncharitable thoughts toward our enemies and friends; we have avoided difficult responsibilities to our neighbors. Forgive us, we pray. Free us from our selfish ways and strengthen us to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND BLESSING

...Jesus died for me. Jesus forgives me. Jesus loves me. Jesus is good to me. Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON *Luke 4:16-21*

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

***HYMN # 2** Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

1. Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes, most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.
2. Unresting, unchanging, and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might; thy justice like mountains high soaring above thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.
3. To all, life thou givest, to both great and small; in all life thou livest, the true life of all; we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree, then wither and perish but naught changeth thee.

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON *Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11*

SERMON *Binding Up the Brokenhearted*

CALL FOR THE OFFERING AND MOMENT OF FRIENDSHIP

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise him, all creatures here below. Praise him above, ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION.**

Receive these gifts, O God. May our lives be an offering that is pleasing to you, good gifts that come from the knowledge of life in Christ our Lord, in whose name we pray. Amen.

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

SHARING THE ELEMENTS (*please hold the bread and then the cup until we all commune together showing our unity in Christ*)

UNISON PRAYER

Loving God, we thank you that you have fed us in this sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a

foretaste of the heavenly banquet in your eternal realm. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**HYMN # 610 O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

1 O for a thousand tongues to sing my dear Redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of God's grace!

2 The name of Jesus charms our fears, and bids our sorrows cease, sings music in the sinner's ears, brings life and health and peace.

4 My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of your name.

5 To God all glory, praise, and love be now and ever given by saints below and saints above, the Church in earth and heaven.

**BENEDICTION*

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS, September 1, 2024

This week's carillon is in memory of Jennie Leedom. Jennie is the mother of member Elsie Leedom.

WELCOME REV. DEBBIE HEFFERMAN: Rev. Debbie Heffernan will provide pulpit supply each Sunday while Su is away on vacation for the month.

SPECIAL RETIREMENT LUNCH FOR LEANNE YERKES: On September 8 we will celebrate Leanne's ministry of music with a special lunch following worship. Sandwiches and dessert will be provided. Donated sides are welcome. We want to give a special "Thank You" to Leanne for sharing her wonderful gift of music with us as our Director of Music.

PASTOR SU WILL BE ON VACATION AUGUST 5 – SEPTEMBER 2: In case of a pastoral emergency, please contact Maggie Rash (215-534-4451) or Louise Stemplewicz (267-474-5506).

SUNDAY SCHOOL KICKOFF BEGINS SEPTEMBER 8: Once again our fabulous faithful teachers will engage with the children teaching them about the love of God and the hope and joy of our faith. Karen Myers, Ruth Squillace, and Kim King will present lessons each Sunday with the exception of the first Sunday of the month when we encourage our children to remain in the service to participate in the full service including Communion. Classes are for children in Kindergarten through 6th grade.

IT IS ALMOST CHICKEN BARBEQUE TIME: This annual event is a favorite where lots of help is needed for cooking, preparing, handing out meals (it's all takeout), and selling tickets!



This year's event will be held on October 5. Call Sharon Ruth at 215-598-3639 and see how you can help.

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE: Saturday Sept 14th we will host our annual blood drive from 8AM to 12noon. Whether donating blood to help someone in need or to honor a loved one, we hope you'll join us in this important community outreach event. To schedule an appointment, and for detailed information about donor eligibility, please visit <https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/donation-time> or call Dana Daniels.



FOOD PANTRY NEEDS: This week we are asking for the following items: Ketchup, Mustard, Relish and Pickles. Donations are to be placed in the wagon found in the vestibule.

This week's calendar of events:

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| September 1 | 10:00 am | Worship with Communion followed by Fellowship |
| | 4:00 pm | Iglesia Pentecostal Asamblea De Dios Worship Service |
| September 2 | 7:00 pm | Boy Scout Troop 71 Meeting |
| September 4 | 10:30 am | Chicken Barbeque Meeting |
| | 12:00 pm | Bring your Brown bag lunch for Fellowship |
| September 7 | 9:00 am – 4 pm | Beekeepers meeting |

Elder of the month: Donna Jencks **Deacon of the month:** Gerry Stemplewicz
Ushers: Sharon Ruth and Emilie Cullerton **Refreshments:** Susan Thomes
Communion Servers: Miss Dell'Orefice and Donna Jencks

In our thoughts and prayers:

The Conner/Lang Family, Aleena Lang, Raymond Tinari, Jim Turner, Violet Sanders,
Mary Lou Humlhanz, Pat Pizza, Kara Holton, Eloise Hyndman, David Posnett,
Dee Tori, Shannon Foster, Jim Conner, Gail Shaffer



Church Staff
Susan Fall, Pastor
Leanne Yerkes, Director of Music
Susan Flanagan, Office Administrator
Frank Orzechoski, Financial Manager



The beginning of our Memorial Garden.

