

*West Kishacoquillas
Presbyterian Church*



*June 26, 2022
3rd Sunday after Pentecost*

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*You are invited to stand if you are able at the places marked with * and say aloud the words printed in **bold***

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Welcome on this Third Sunday after Pentecost. In this season of discipleship, we also recognize the need for retreat, rest and time at the feet of Jesus. May we celebrate God's great abundance together today and in all the days of summer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Last week our readings for the day and the message were tied into the lessons of abundance from the Lutheran Synod Assembly I had attended. Today we go back to our Gospel reading on Christ's healing of the Geresene man, as we pray for healing and new beginnings in our church and in our lives. We are happy to announce that BrayLee Breon and Jansen Yoder will be attending Krislund from July 31st – August 5th.

INTROIT *Heal Us Now* (2x instrumental, 2x congregation)

Heal us, heal us, heal us, now
Show us, show us, show us how.

SILENT PRAYER

Holy and gracious God, you call us to ventures that cannot be foretold, to paths we do not know. Be our guide, through your Word, and feed us with your assurance that your way is truly the path of love, joy, and peace. **Amen.**

*OPENING WORDS/CALL TO WORSHIP (John 15:5)

Leader: Jesus calls to the crowds with warnings.
 Jesus calls to the converts to follow him.
 Jesus calls to the resisters with parables of rejection.
 Jesus calls to you: "Proclaim the kingdom of God."
 And the people answer:

Pastor: Thanks be to God for life and health and all goodness.

*HYMN #

*Christ Is Alive***Christ Is Alive!****108**

TRURO LM

Thomas Williams, 1789

Harm. Lowell Mason (1792-1872)

Brian Wren, 1968; rev.

1. Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands
 2. Christ is a - live! No long - er bound To dis - tant
 3. Not throned a - far, re - mote - ly high, Un - touched, un -
 4. In ev - ery in - sult, rift, and war, Where col - or,

emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with
 years in Pal - es - tine, But sav - ing, heal - ing,
 moved by hu - man pains, But dai - ly, in the
 scorn, or wealth di - vide, Christ suf - fers still, yet

prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.
 here and now, And touch - ing ev - ery place and time.
 midst of life, Our Sav - ior in the God - head reigns.
 loves the more, And lives, where ev - en hope has died.

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

Clothed with the mantle of baptism and protected by God's promise of forgiveness, let us confess our sins to God and to one another.

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Merciful God, we confess that we desire what is not your will. We fear failure and cling to unquestioned habits. We fear breaking the ties that bind us to the familiar. We are truly sorry and repent of what we have done and what we have not done. Show us the path of your prophetic way. Open our eyes to new ventures. Help us love our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us and renew us, in the name of life abundant, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

The fruits of the spirit are love, joy, and peace given to you through God's grace. Friends, rejoice, through Christ we are forgiven. Live in the word of the Lord and be made new.

***PEACE OF CHRIST**

Let us hopefully and faithfully extend the Peace of Christ to those here and beyond the walls of our Sanctuary. The Peace of Christ be with You!! **And also with You.**

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

***GLORIA PATRI**

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Your word, O God, reveals your will for our lives. By the power of your Holy Spirit, give us each the wisdom to attend to your call every day, and make us ready to hear and obey. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21

GOSPEL READING

Luke 8:26-39

MESSAGE

Pastor Ela J. Robertson *"Naming the Chains That Bind"*

*HYMN

#400

RESPONSE TO THE WORD
God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind

400 **God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind**

1 God of tem - pest, God of whirl-wind, as on Pen - te -
 2 God of blaz - ing, God of burn - ing, all that blocks your
 3 God of earth - quake, God of thun - der, shake us loose from
 4 God of pas - sion, God un - sleep - ing, stir in us - love's

cost de - scend! Drive us out from shel - tered com - fort;
 pur - pose, purge! Through your church, Christ's liv - ing Bod - y,
 leth - ar - gy! Break the chains of sin a - sun - der,
 rest - less - ness! Where the peo - ple cry in an - guish,

past these walls your peo - ple send! Sweep us in - to cost - ly ser - vice,
 let your flam - ing Spir - it surge! Where de - ceit con - ceals in - jus - tice,
 for earth's heal - ing set us free! Crum - ble walls that still di - vide us;
 may we share your heart's dis - tress. Rouse us from con - tent with e - vil;

there with Christ to bear the cross, there with Christ to bear the cross!
 kin - dle us to speak your truth, kin - dle us to speak your truth!
 make us one in Christ our Lord, make us one in Christ our Lord!
 claim us for your king - dom's work, claim us for your king - dom's work!

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Apostles' Creed)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the power of 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.

MINUTE FOR MISSION Meals on Wheels

JOYS AND CONCERNS Birthdays and Anniversaries

*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD'S PRAYER

We pray now in Jesus' name for the church, the world, and all who are in need, saying, Hear us, O God; **your mercy is great.**

Holy God of healing and peace, we thank you for life and health; for morning and evening; for rain and sun; for all you give us to sustain life; and most of all for Jesus, who died and rose again to make real the promise of new life.

Hear us, O God; **your mercy is great.**

We pray for bodies and spirits healed, for those who are in pain, for those awaiting surgery, for those who are struggling with physical therapies, with depression, anxiety or dementia, and for those we name now aloud or silently . . . [*silence*]

Hear us, O God; **your mercy is great.**

We ask your special blessing, O God, on the children in our communities, for their play and work in this summertime to give them strength and renewal; for an ever-increasing opening of their minds, new ways of seeing, new understandings of the gifts you call them to use; and for their happiness and health. We pray especially for Janson & Braylee as they prepare for their week at Krislund, and all the Krislund campers and staff.

Hear us, O God; **your mercy is great.**

Into your hands we place our prayers and all whose welfare we entrust to your care. Bless them and all who have needs only you can know. In thanksgiving for all your gifts, we pray this in the name of the one God, Mother of us all. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER (Traditional)

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.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

As Jesus set his face toward Jerusalem to offer himself for the sake of the world, let us now offer our tithes and gifts in thanksgiving.

*DOXOLOGY

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING/DEDICATION

Take these gifts, O God, for the work of this church. Let them stand as signs of your love and faithfulness. In the name of the one who gave himself for us, we pray. **Amen.**

*HYMN #438

*Blest Be the Tie That Binds***Blest Be the Tie That Binds****438**

DENNIS SM

John Fawcett, 1782

Johann Georg Nägeli (1773-1836)
Arr. Lowell Mason, 1845

1. Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Chris-tian love;
2. Be - fore our *Fa - ther's throne We pour our ar - dent prayers;
3. We share our mu - tual woes, Our mu - tual bur - dens bear,
4. From sor - row, toil, and pain, And sin we shall be free;

The fel - low - ship of kin - dred minds Is like to that a - bove.
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, Our com-forts and our cares.
And of - ten for each oth - er flows The sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.
And per - fect love and friend-ship reign Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

***CHARGE and BENEDICTION**

Live in hope, love with mercy, leave no stone unturned in your calling as one of God's precious disciples. For as often as you heed the word of the Lord, you are turned toward what is good and beautiful.

*SENDING SONG *Happy Day Express*

106. THE "HAPPY DAY" EXPRESS

Moving arms at side

1. We're go-ing to a man-sion, On the "Hap-py Day" ex-press, The let-ters on the
 2. You're wel-come, all ye peo-ple, On the "Hap-py Day" ex-press, The way to come is

Touching chest *Right hand to mouth as if calling*

en-gine Are J - E - S - U - S: The guard calls "All for heav - en," We
 just to trust in J - E - S - U - S: So hear the call from heav - en, And

Left hand to mouth *Moving arms at side*

glad-ly answer "Yes;" We're go - ing to a man-sion On the "Happy Day" ex-press
 glad-ly answer "Yes;" Come with us, all ye peo-ple, On the "Happy Day" ex-press

*BLESSING

May the holy Trinity, one God, bless you and keep you, now and forever.

*POSTLUDE

Feasting on the Word, Year C, Volume 2.

Questions for Reflection

What new mantle is God placing on your shoulders? Where in your life is the new beginning, the unfamiliar task, the calling to a path on which the ending is yet unclear?

Household Prayer: Morning

God of renewal and joy, thank you for a night of rest, for home, for companionship, and for all the gifts of Earth that make our lives possible. Give us this day the sustenance needed for the work we have ahead of us. Keep our vision clear and our resolve strong. Bless us, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

For this day, O God, we give you thanks. In all the joys that came our way, the challenges that showed us more about your world, the people who made our meals and journeys, you revealed your care. Keep us now this night from harm that when we rise from sleep, we will again give thanks and praise to you. Bless us, in Jesus' name. Amen.

JULY BIRTHDAYS

July 1 - Ann Peachey	July 21 – Shawn Metzgar
July 2 - Tammy Carothers	July 23 – Scott Wilson
July 3 - Dana Ashton Jeschke	Jennifer Wilson
July 6 - Jason Weaver	Sid Yoder
July 9 - Judy Waddell	July 26 – Todd Thomas
Barbara Frankhouser	July 27 – J.D. Stroup, III
July 11 - Tammy Harshbarger	July 28 – Wm. S. Taylor, IV
Ethan Riley Eichhorn	Erin Kauffman
July 12 - Abigail Esh	Conner McCurdy
July 15 - Donald Baggus, II	July 30 – Amy Kline Brewer
Pastor Ela Robertson	Bill Cullingford

JULY ANNIVERSARYS

July 16th – Lee & Shari Spicher
 July 18th – Matthew & Ashley Spicher

ANNOUNCEMENTS**Pastor: Rev. Ela J. Robertson****Lay Reader: Matt Waddell****Organist: Susie Seulki Yoo**

The flowers in the bowl are presented in memory of Art Kauffman on his birthday, June 29th, from Nancy & Alan Abt

Huntingdon Presbytery meeting Tuesday June 28, Pine Grove Mills.

Our Session meeting will be Thursday June 30 (please note date change from normal meeting date)

At the end of the announcements is a form for you to list your favorite hymns. Please place it in the offering plate.

Special thanks to Patti Koptchak for the Father's Day decorations in the sanctuary.

There will be a mission committee meeting on July 17th after church We will discuss the refugee situation and other and going projects.

Big Valley Thrift & Gift Store is receiving applications for a Store Manager position.

This position requires experience in an active retail business environment, computer and public relations skills and managing a large group of volunteers. Must be able to lift, bend and be on your feet much of the day. Should be able to work independently and/or as part of a team and be available on occasional evenings or weekends. An application and full job description may be picked up at the store located at 4287 E. Main Street, Belleville, PA 17004, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Monday through Saturday. The application deadline is 7/30/2022.

We are happy to announce that our Fellowship meals will start up again in the fall. There will be three dates: October 3rd, November 7th, and December 5th.

The Per Capita per member for 2022 is \$34.25. You may include it with your offering and note it on the envelope.

You may text or email your joys and concerns at any time to Matt Waddell, who will relay them to the pastor. His cell phone number is 717-994-5613 or email at waddellmj1@yahoo.com.

After Church Pow-wows:

As we adjust to a hopefully receding pandemic, we are reconsidering how best to serve some of the challenges our congregants are experiencing. How can we help the helpers? What kind of outreach is most meaningful and the best fit for people's needs? What are the things people are worried about or not worried about? What are our food and fellowship plans?

Although it may only be 5 or 10 minutes, meetings after church on the 1st and 3rd Sundays with pastor and members will provide a regular way to check in, brainstorm, share concerns and updates in our shared ministry of outreach to congregants. We will meet in the back of the sanctuary.

1st Sunday: After Church Pow-wow: Worship Committee and all interested in assisting with worship and Sunday school

2nd Sunday: The Lord's Supper

3rd Sunday: After Church Pow-wow: Pastor and Deacons and all interested in fellowship and outreach

4th Sunday: Celebrating birthdays, anniversaries, graduations etc.

5th Sunday – Special services and celebrations

Joys and Concerns

Hannah Faulkner	Elliana Byler	Pam Ritchey	Bertha Penepacker
Jim Marthouse	Laura Baggus	Leevi Fultz	Jon Helfrick
Kathy Wilson	Pat Byler	Tom Bailey	Sherwood & Barb Frankhouser
Anne Marie Yoder	Scot Sechler	Cindy Coder	Lee Spicher
Shawna Horn	Stacey Toothman	Brian Skipper	John Stroup
Kyung Sun Yim (Susie's mother)		Susie Yoo	

Please pray for those who have lost loved ones in the past months, including the family and friends of Stacy Spicher; the Waddells, family of Connie Brigante; Meri Jo Carothers' family on the loss of her grandfather; the family of Reed Henderson, family of Peg Esh and family of Ralph Meachum.

All our community pastors and congregations, Big Valley Ministerium

Pray for those fleeing their homes due to war, that they may find safe sanctuary

Please pray for all those who are undergoing diagnosis, operations, and treatments.

Remember the transforming power of prayer as you pray for those on our prayer list and others facing challenges in our congregation and community this week.

Valley View Haven

Shirley Morris – Room 504

Alice Long – Room 510

Valley View Terrace

Larry & Jean Ecklund A120

Doris Wilson – Room A110

Westminster Woods: Bill Rumbaugh – 360 Westminster Drive, Huntingdon, PA 16652

Ron Bailey, 109 Sycamore Way, Huntingdon, PA 16652

In the Military: Rob Westover, Dave Westover, Eric Kauffman, Shawn Seager, Michael Yutesler

Presbyterian Prayer Calendar

Logan Valley congregation – Rev. Barry Vance, Moderator

Phonsawan congregation, Pastor Phayao

Presbyterian Women

Synod of the Trinity Commissioners – Elder Kate Sillman, Rev. Brian Choi, and Rev. Allison Maus

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NAME _____

LIST YOUR FAVORITE HYMNS AND PLACE IN OFFERING PLATE

Title of Hymn

Hymn Number
