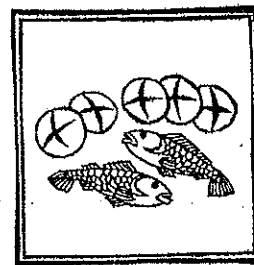


welcome to worship
TIME AFTER PENTECOST
YOUTH-LED WORSHIP

August 2, 2026



PRELUDE

Come to the Table

Sidewalk Prophets

Sofia Arana Lyon, soloist

We all start on the outside, the outside looking in, this is where grace begins.
We were hungry, we were thirsty, with nothing left to give, oh the shape we were in.
And just when all hope seemed lost, love opened the door for us. He said

Refrain: Come to the table, come join the sinners who have been redeemed.
Take your place beside the Savior, sit down and be set free,
Come to the table.

Come meet this motley crew of misfits, these liars and these thieves,
There's no one unwelcomed here.
And that sin and shame that you brought with you, you can leave it at the door,
And let mercy draw you near. *Refrain*

To the thief and to the doubter, to the hero and the coward,
To the prisoner and the soldier, to the young and to the older.
All who hunger, all who thirst, all the last and all the first,
All the paupers and the princes, all who fail - you've been forgiven.
All who dream and all who suffer, all who loved and lost another,
All the chained and all the free, all who follow all who lead.
Anyone who's been let down, all the lost - you have been found.
All who've been labeled right or wrong, to everyone who hears His song, *Refrain*

WELCOME

BAPTISM

Following the individual petitions...

Family and friends, do you promise to help this child grow in the Christian faith and life? We do.

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.

Thank you, God, ...through God the creator, redeemer and advocate. **Amen.**

Wesley, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Together we proclaim: **You belong to Christ, as a baptized child of God. Alleluia!**

Let us welcome the newly baptized. **Wesley, we welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share. We give thanks and praise to God for sharing the Word, creation and the creating unity among us.**

GATHERING SONG

Make a Difference

Rachel Kurtz

Kaia Arana Lyon, soloist

Solo: You gave your life to make a difference, you gave your life to make a change.
You welcomed all to your table, you're calling us to do the same.

Refrain (all sing):

♪ **I want my life to make a difference; I want my life to make a change.
I want my life to do some good here; I want my life to make a change.**

Solo: Working side by side, no out or inside, together we can make that change.
With a few or many, with a lot or not any, together we can make that change. *Refrain*

Crossing the great divide, joy and peace will abide, together we can make that change.
Jesus is our peace, all fighting will cease, together we can make that change. *Refrain*

We're the citizens with the saints, we're the sunshine with the rain,
We're the joy with the pain, we're the change.
You healed the sick and fed the poor, loved the prophet and the whore,
Through us you will do more, you're the change. *Refrain 2 times*

GREETING

We welcome you in the name of the Creator, Redeemer and Advocate. We welcome you to worship! **Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray: Glorious God, your generosity feeds the world with living bread and water. Awaken in us a thirst for living water, and a hunger in us to feed your world through your son, Jesus. **Amen.**

The assembly is seated.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Madison McCrae

READING

Isaiah 55:1-5 (The Message)

¹⁻⁵ "Hey there! All who are thirsty, come to the water!

Are you penniless? Come anyway—buy and eat!

Come, buy your drinks, buy wine and milk.

Buy without money—everything's free!

Why do you spend your money on junk food,

your hard-earned cash on cotton candy?

Listen to me, listen well: Eat only the best,

fill yourself with only the finest.

Pay attention, come close now,

listen carefully to my life-giving, life-nourishing words.

I'm making a lasting covenant commitment with you,

the same that I made with David: sure, solid, enduring love.

I set him up as a witness to the nations,

made him a prince and leader of the nations,

And now I'm doing it to you:

You'll summon nations you've never heard of,

and nations who've never heard of you will come running to you

Because of me, your GOD, because The Holy of Israel has honored you."

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION 674

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 14:13-21 (Common English Bible)

The holy gospel according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

When Jesus heard about John, he withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. When the crowds learned this, they followed him on foot from the cities. ¹⁴ When Jesus arrived and saw a large crowd, he had compassion for them and healed those who were sick. ¹⁵ That evening his disciples came and said to him, "This is an isolated place and it's getting late. Send the crowds away so they can go into the villages and buy food for themselves." ¹⁶ But Jesus said to them, "There's no need to send them away. You give them something to eat." ¹⁷ They replied, "We have nothing here except five loaves of bread and two fish." ¹⁸ He said, "Bring them here to me." ¹⁹ He ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. He took the five loaves of bread and the two fish, looked up to heaven, blessed them and broke the loaves apart and gave them to his disciples. Then the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰ Everyone ate until they were full, and they filled twelve baskets with the leftovers. ²¹ About five thousand men plus women and children had eaten.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

Sofia Arana Lyon & Emmett Borelli-Hoh

The assembly stands.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each petition concludes Merciful God, receive our prayer.

The prayers conclude ... help us to see all your blessings. Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

Please share a sign of Christ's peace with one another.

OFFERING

If you brought an offering or your pledge card today, please place it in an offering plate that ushers will pass at this time. Thank you for your generous gifts! Did you know you can give using a credit card? Scan the QR code to the right.



OFFERING SONG:

His Eye is on the Sparrow

Gabriel and Martin

Sofia Arana Lyon, soloist

Why should I feel discouraged, and why should the shadows come?

Why should my heart be lonely and long for heaven and home?

When Jesus is my portion, my constant friend is he,

His eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me.

Refrain:

And I sing because I'm happy, yes, I sing because I'm free,

For his eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me.

"Let not your heart be troubled," his tender word I hear,

And resting on his goodness, I lose my doubt and fear.

I draw him closer to me. From care he sets me free.

His eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me. *Refrain*

The assembly stands.

HOLY COMMUNION

♪ The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

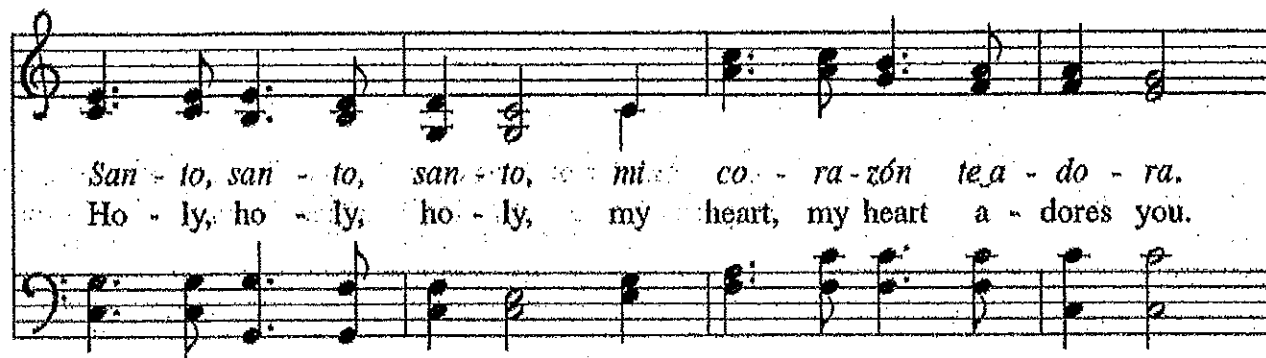
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

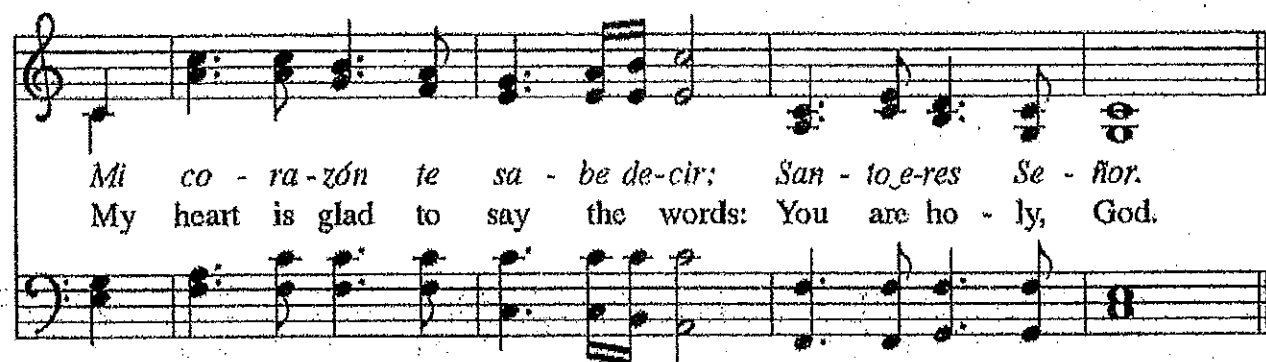
It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,...

...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

All sing, first in English, then in Spanish:



San - to, san - to, san - to, mi co - ra-zón te a - do - ra.
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you.



Mi co - ra-zón te sa - be de-cir: San - to e-res Se - ñor.
My heart is glad to say the words: You are ho - ly, God.

Following the Words of Institution...

Let us sing together in prayer: *Give Us Our Daily Bread*
The assembly repeats each line after the song leader.

Bret Hesla

Give us our daily bread. Give us our daily bread.
Give us our daily bread. Give us our daily bread.
Give us our daily bread. Give us our daily bread.
May we be satisfied. May we be satisfied.

Five thousand will be fed. Five thousand will be fed.
Five thousand will be fed. Five thousand will be fed.
Five thousand will be fed. Five thousand will be fed.
Trusting there'll be enough. Trusting there'll be enough.

Give us our daily bread. Give us our daily bread.
Give us our daily bread. Give us our daily bread.
Give us our daily bread. Give us our daily bread.
May we be satisfied. May we be satisfied.

INVITATION

This is Jesus' table. A place has been set for everyone. A place has been set for you. Come and be fed!

The assembly is seated.

DISTRIBUTION

Everyone is welcome to receive Holy Communion at Atonement. Follow the directions of the ushers to receive bread and a pre-filled cup of wine or grape juice (in purple cups) from the communion assistants. Deposit your empty cup in the basket at the end of the front pew and return to your seat by the side aisles. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. Children are welcome to receive communion with their parents' permission. We have been made aware that several trays have run out of grape juice in recent weeks. We are working to correct the situation, but in the meantime, please be assured that taking just the bread without the wine or juice is still receiving full communion, and with it, all of the blessings that God bestows.

Please take a moment to sign and pass the attendance pads found in the pews, check in to Atonement on your favorite social media platform, share a photo with your digital community, and say something gentle in the spirit of Jesus!

COMMUNION MUSIC

Your Grace is Enough

Great is your faithfulness, O God; | You wrestle with the sinner's restless heart.

You lead us by still waters into mercy | And nothing can keep us apart.

Refrain (all sing):

♪ So, remember your people, remember your children,

Remember your promise, O God.

Your grace is enough, your grace is enough,

Your grace is enough for me.

Great is your love and justice, God of Jacob; | You use the weak to lead the strong.

You lead us in the song of your salvation, | And all your people sing along.

Refrain 2 times

Bind Us Together

Refrain: ♪ Bind us together, Lord, bind us together

With cords that cannot be broken.

Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, Lord;

Bind us together in love.

There is only one God. There is only one King.

There is only one Body; that is why we sing: *Refrain*

You are the family of God. You are the promise divine.

You are God's chosen desire, you are God's glorious design. *Refrain*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. God of abundance, you took the bread from the children and fed us all. Your cup of love has filled us with love and compassion. Let us use this meal to share Christ's love with everyone we meet. We ask this in the name of Jesus. **Amen.**

BLESSING

May you trust the spirit to lead you to love all people.

May the bread of life fill your spirit to share God's abundance with others.

Live out this week in a child-like faith opening up to see God's world through Christ's way.

And may you feel held by the spirit with compassion and love. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN 857

Lord I Lift Your Name on High

Children are invited to join the youth for the final songs.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. **Thanks be to God. Gracias al Señor.**

POSTLUDE

Jesus Loves Me

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WARMEST WELCOME to this congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America! We are a Lutheran church, but we're not just for Lutherans—we belong to our community.

CHILDREN are very welcome at Atonement! Activity bags and children's bulletins are available with the ushers. The nursery will not be staffed for the summer, but the PRIVACY ROOM at the back of the church is available for families who would like a little extra wiggles room.

RESTROOMS are located in the hall next to the worship space. A FAMILY RESTROOM with a changing table is also located in the Privacy Room at the back of the worship space.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS are Monday—Thursday, 10:30am—2:30pm or by appointment.

ATONEMENT VOLUNTEERS SERVE AT OPPORTUNITY HOUSE the third Saturday of every month. Contact Bob Eisenbrown at 484-332-8788 if you would like to join the team.

DONATING TO THE COMMUNITY AID THRIFT SHOP can benefit Common Ground. Use the code **50244** when you make a donation.

FOOD DONATIONS of canned goods, cereal, and other non-perishable, non-expired items for Lutheran Pantry are always accepted in the grocery cart in the narthex.

COMMON GROUND DONATIONS of clothing and toiletries can be placed in the large bin next to the coatroom in the narthex.

PRESCHOOL still has openings for Together Time, T/Th Toddlers, and 3-year-olds. Contact Jen Dauber at jdauber@atonementwyo.org for information.

OUR LANDSCAPING TEAM is looking for new members! Contact John Lehr for details at 610-304-6818 or johnt.lehr@gmail.com.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION continues throughout the summer at 9am in room F122.

USHERS NEEDED! Ushering is a great way to meet people and serve the Atonement community. The commitment is about one week per month. Please contact the office if you have questions or would like to be added to one of our usher teams.

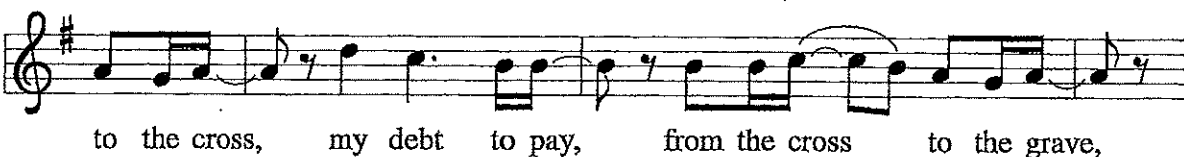
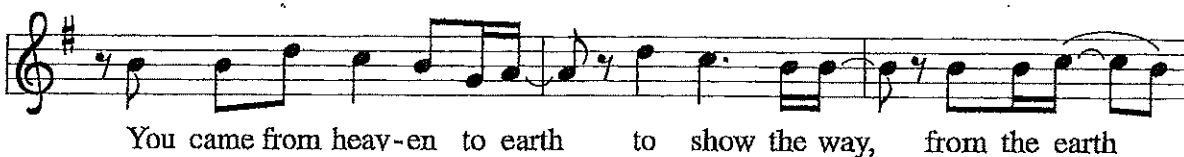
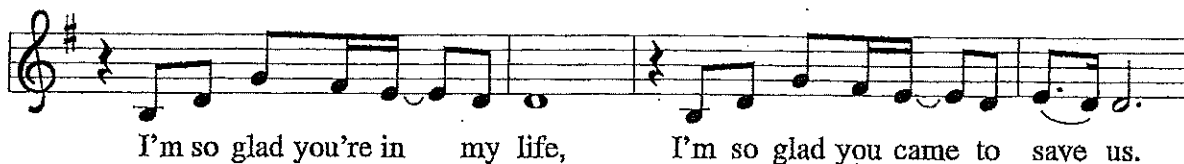
FREE BASEBALL TICKETS for Reading Fightin Phils Recovery Awareness Night are available in the narthex – first come, first served. Game is Thursday, August 13, 7:00pm.

THE BAPTISM OF WESLEY DREW POTTIEGER, son of Brittany and Drew Pottieger, will be celebrated during today's worship. Please keep Wesley and his family in your prayers.

CRAFTING FOR A CAUSE – Saturday, August 29, 9am-4pm. \$20 includes breakfast, snack, and entry into a drawing for a \$100 gift card to Michaels. Bring your favorite craft or several, and spend the day creating and enjoying fellowship with other crafters. Maybe you'll even get inspired to try something new. The proceeds will help our quilting group pay for supplies and for shipping the quilts around the world. Invite friends, co-workers, and family to join us! Please sign up in the narthex, on the Facebook Event, or call the Church office. Signing up helps us figure out how much food we will need. Come and be crafty with us!

Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

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