Philadelphia Lutheran Church

2nd Sunday after Pentecost

June 11, 2023

Worship Service 11:30am



Prelude

Welcome to everyone and we are thankful to have you with us in worship today.

Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who greets us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of our neighbors.

P: Merciful God,

C: we confess that we have sinned. We have hurt our community. We have squandered your blessings. We have hoarded your bounty. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.

P: Righteous God,

C:we confess that we have sinned. We have failed to be honest. We have lacked the courage to speak. We have spoken falsely. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.

P: God is a cup of cold water when we thirst. God offers boundless grace when we fail. Claim the gift of God's mercy: you are freed and forgiven in the name of + Jesus Christ.

C:Amen.



Text: Joachim Neander, 1650–1680; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt. Music: LOBE DEN HERREN, *Ernewerten Gesangbuch*, Part II, Stralsund, 1665

Greeting:

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

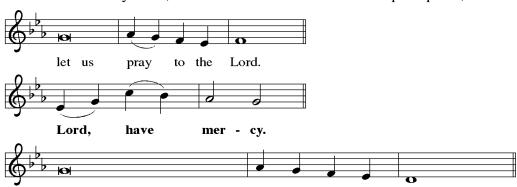
C: And also with you.

Kyrie





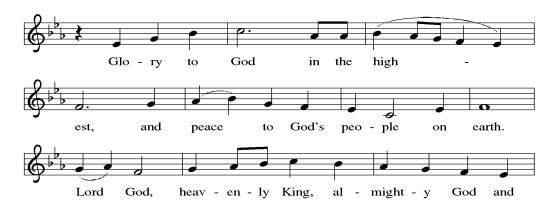
For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



Hymn of Praise





Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray together.

C: O God, you are the source of life and the ground of our being. By the power of your Spirit bring healing to this wounded world, and raise us to the new life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

+WORD+

First Reading: Hosea 5:15--6:6

Because the people have trusted in military powers and not God, God decides to withdraw from the scene until Israel acknowledges its guilt and seeks God's face. The response of the people does not acknowledge this guilt and is as fickle as fog or dew burned away quickly by the sun. God desires loyalty rather than words or meaningless deeds.

¹⁵I will return again to my place until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face. In their distress they will beg my favor:

6:1"Come, let us return to the LORD; for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us; he has struck down, and he will bind us up. ²After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him. ³Let us know, let us press on to know the LORD; his appearing is as sure as the dawn; he will come to us like the showers, like the spring rains that water the earth." ⁴What shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, O Judah? Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes away early. ⁵Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets, I have killed them by the words of my mouth, and my judgment goes forth as the light. ⁶For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm: 50:7-15

⁷"Listen, my people, and I will speak: Israel, I will bear wit- ¹ ness against you; for I am ¹ God, your God.

⁸I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices; your burnt offerings are al- ways before me.

⁹I will not accept a calf | from your stalls, nor goats | from your pens;

¹⁰for all the wild animals of the for- est are mine, the cattle on a thousand hills. R

¹¹I know every bird of the mountains, and the creatures of the fields are mine.

¹²If I were hungry, I would not tell you, for the whole world is mine and all that is in it.

¹³Do you think I eat the | flesh of bulls, or drink the | blood of goats?

¹⁵Call upon me in the | day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall | honor me. **R**

Second Reading: Romans 4:13-25

Paul presents Abraham as a living model of right relationships. For Abraham and for us, a right relationship with God involves trusting that God's promises will be fulfilled because God makes the dead alive and calls into existence what otherwise does not exist.

¹³The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

¹⁶For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us. ¹⁷as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations")—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. ¹⁸Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." ¹⁹He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. ²⁰No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²²Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, ²⁴but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God.

Children's Message

¹⁴Offer to God a sacrifice | of thanksgiving and make good your vows to | the Most High.

Gospel Acclamation



The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 9th chapter

ALL: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Matthew 9:-9-13, 18-26

Jesus demonstrates God's mercy and power, accepting the unacceptable and curing the incurable. Even the dead receive new life.

⁹As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him.

¹⁰And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. ¹¹When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" ¹²But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."

¹⁸While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." ¹⁹And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples.
²⁰Then suddenly a women who had been suffering from homographics for typely a years.

²⁰Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, ²¹for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." ²²Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. ²³When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, ²⁴he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. ²⁵But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. ²⁶And the report of this spread throughout that district.

The gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

flock!

flock!

God!

lit - tle

lit - tle

raise to

high a - bove!

Hymn of the Day: "Have No Fear, Little Flock" ELW# 764 Have lit - tle flock; lit - tle no fear, have no fear, 2 Have good cheer, lit - tle flock; have good cheer, lit - tle Lord Praise the high a bove; praise the Lord high a 4 Thank - ful hearts raise to God; thank - ful hearts raise to flock, for the Fa ther cho has sen to flock, for the Fa ther will keep in you bove, for he stoops down to heal up you, God, for he stays close be side you, in

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Text: Luke 12:32, st. 1; Marjorie Jillson, b. 1931, sts. 2–4 Music: LITTLE FLOCK, Heinz Werner Zimmermann, b. 1930 Text and music © 1973 Concordia Publishing House.

give you

his love

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Apostles' Creed

P: Let us confess our faith with the words of the Apostle's Creed.

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re - store you; praise the

works with you; thank - ful

for - ev - er;

All 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.

Prayers of Intercession

Trusting in God's abundant mercy, let us offer our prayers for a world in need. *A brief silence*.

We pray, O God, for the church. Unite us with any on the margins, that the whole world recognizes that your mercy is greater than our human capacity to restrict it. God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray, O God, for creation. Tend forests and fields and safeguard all cattle, birds, and wild animals. Preserve lakes, rivers, and oceans and send rains to water the earth. Revive lands recovering from natural disasters. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray, O God, for the nations. Awaken in our leaders compassion for people who have too often felt forgotten or neglected, and inspire policy solutions that promote equity and inclusion. God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray, O God, for all who are in need. Accompany anyone enduring chronic illness, any who suffer in secret, and those grieving a loved one's death. Send healing for all who plead for relief from sickness or pain (*especially*). God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray, O God, for the eradication of racial hatred. On this week when we commemorate the Emanuel Nine, we implore you to cast out the demons of white supremacy that make us believe lies about ourselves and our neighbors. God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

We give thanks, O God, for Barnabas and all the saints (*especially*). Renew our faith that you can do what you have promised and raise us, with all our beloved dead, to new life. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Receive our prayers and answer us, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Peace

P: The Peace of Christ be with you always

C: And also with you.

Offering

Offering Music

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful Offering Song



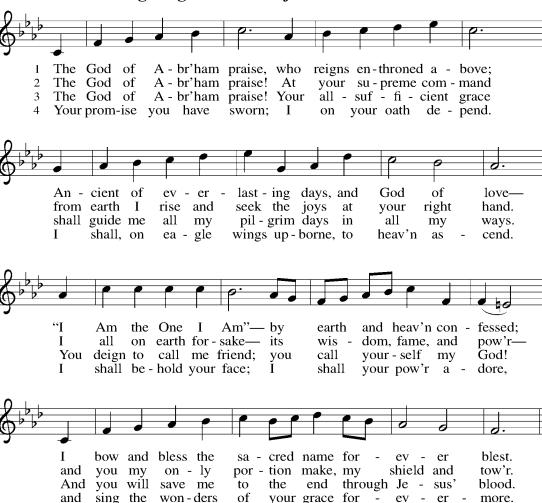
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Offering Prayer

P: God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord . Amen.

Canticle of Thanksgiving "The God of Abraham Praise" ELW# 831



Lord's Prayer:

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Thanksgiving for the Word

Let us pray.

Praise and thanks to you, holy God, for by your Word you made all things: you spoke light into darkness, called forth beauty from chaos, and brought life into being. For your Word of life, O God,

we give you thanks and praise.

By your Word you called your people Israel to tell of your wonderful gifts: freedom from captivity, water on the desert journey, a pathway home from exile, wisdom for life with you. For your Word of life, O God,

we give you thanks and praise.

Through Jesus, your Word made flesh, you speak to us and call us to witness: forgiveness through the cross, life to those entombed by death, the way of your self-giving love. For your Word of life, O God,

we give you thanks and praise.

Send your Spirit of truth, O God; rekindle your gifts within us: renew our faith, increase our hope, and deepen our love, for the sake of a world in need. Faithful to your Word, O God, draw near to all who call on you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever. **Amen.**

Blessing

P: The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed \square bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age.

C: Amen.



Sending Hymn "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" ELW # 836 1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love! 2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heav'n re - flect thy rays, 3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest, Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore thee, prais-ing thee, their sun a - bove. stars and an - gels sing a-round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise. well-spring of the joy of liv-ing, o-cean-depth of hap-py rest! Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the gloom of doubt a - way. Field and for - est, vale and moun-tain, flow-'ry mead-ow, flash-ing sea, Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our broth - er, all who live in love are thine; Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad-ness, fill us with the light of day. chant-ing bird, and flow-ing foun-tain call us to re-joice in thee.

Text: Henry van Dyke, 1852–1933 Music: HYMN TO JOY, Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770–1827, adapt.

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Share the harvest.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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teach us how to love each oth - er, lift us to the joy di-vine!



Altar Flowers (June 11, 2023) are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Harold Brown by Mary Brown.

Volunteer Sign-up Sheet for reading Sunday scriptures available in the Narthex.

Altar Flower Sign-up sheet is available in the Narthex. There are many dates available. Altar Flowers for 2023.....Please note...There will be an increase in the flowers this year. Cost: \$47.00 for both flowers. One flower will be \$23.50. Gaston Floral Garden.

All Information for the Sunday bulletin needs to be in by Tuesday Noon.

To prepare for Next Sunday (June 18), 3rd Sunday after Pentecost, Exodus 19:2-8a; Rom 5:1-8; Matt 9:35-10:8 [9-23].

Attendance: 6/4/2023: Outdoor/Indoor Worship Service: 50

SERVING THIS WEEK

Ministers: Members of Philadelphia Lutheran Church Visit our Web Site: http://www.philadelphialutheran.org

Email: church@philadelphialutheran.org

Church Ph. & Fax: 704-922-5334

Pastor: Pastor Shea Berbaum Cell: 336-633-9770 (In case of an emergency, or if you need a Pastor) Email: shea.berbaum@gmail.com "Do you know someone who would benefit from a conversation or a visit with the Pastor? Please let Pastor Shea or the church office know! Pastor Shea can be reached at 336-633-9770."

Parish/Financial Secretary: Lisa Rubow Music: Amy Lewis

Parish Mail:

Council Rep., June: Aaron Adams Altar Guild June: Amy Lewis Lector June: Wes Hepler

Council Rep., July: Danny Adams

Altar Guild July: Lewis and Linda Friday

Lector July: Diane Morgan



WE PRAY...

Below are all those included on our weekly List for Intercessory Prayer. We lift them up in Prayer during the Sunday Worship Service and we encourage you to include them in your Prayer Life during the coming week. Please contact the Church office regarding persons whom you would like to add or remove from our weekly list for Intercessory Prayer. In our ongoing prayers: The Family of Clay Pasour and The Family of John Jarrettt, Ed Friday, Dian Newton, Faye Cloninger, Mary Jo Friday, Cindy Friday, David Luoto, Frances Lineberger, Cloteen Rogers, Steve Cloninger, Janice Jarrett, Ginger Cloninger, Danny and Rhonda Adams, Rhonda Love, Ellen Adams, Ricky Schertz, Frank Parker, Julie Pettus, Bishop Tim Smith.

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If you wish to add/or remove names to the prayer list, please call the church office (704-922-5334

Dallas High Shoals Christian Ministry: Hours: Tuesday and Thursday...9:00am-1:00pm. Donations (Just food at the present time) can be brought to the ministry on Monday and Wednesday mornings 11:00am –2:00pm. And most Friday mornings. No clothing donations. Check out their new website: www.dallaschristianministry.com. You can also find them on Facebook (Dallas Christian Ministry) - Every Wednesday they post "Wish List Wednesday" with items needed. Thanks for your continued support for this ministry!

Robert J. Hoyle Scholarship

Between now and June 30, 2023, the Congregation Council will be receiving applications for the Robert J. Hoyle Scholarship. This is a one-time, \$500 scholarship available to any baptized member of Philadelphia who is a high school graduate and who has been officially accepted in an accredited college, university, or community college. Additional information and application forms will be available in the narthex and from the church office. The Hoyle Scholarships will be presented during the worship service on Homecoming Sunday, July 30, 2023. Additionally, we will be receiving a love offering to support the scholarship fund; you can place your love offering in your green envelope or find special envelopes for this in the church narthex.



Congratulations to our 2023 graduates!

Cody Friday graduated from UNC-Charlotte on May 12. **Jack Kelly** graduated from Piedmont Community Charter School on May 26. He will be attending the University of North Carolina at Charlotte in the fall.



Sunday, June 11, 2023 "2nd Sunday after Pentecost"

11:30am Worship Service: Pastor Shea Berbaum

12:00pm Council Meeting

Monday, June 12, 2023

9:00 am-12:00 Sorting clothes at Holy Communion.

Tuesday, June 13 2023

2:00pm Bible Study at Philadelphia Lutheran Church

Wednesday, June 15, 2023

6:30pm Zoom Bible Study see Pastor Shea

Sunday, June 18, 2023 "3rd Sunday after Pentecost"

11:30am Communion Worship Service: Pastor Shea Berbam 12:30pm Farewell and Godspeed to Linda Weant (Covered Dish

luncheon after worship)

Sunday, June 25, 2023 "4th Sunday after Pentecost"

11:30am Worship Service: Pastor Shea Berbaum

Sunday, July 30, 2023 "Homecoming Sunday"



Farewell and Godspeed for Linda Weant - Sunday, June 18

As you are probably aware, Linda Weant is moving to Chicago in late June. We want to wish her farewell and Godspeed on her last Sunday in North Carolina, June 18. Please join us for worship (at 11:30 a.m.) and a covered dish lunch immediately following the worship service that day. (We know it's Father's Day, so bring the fathers in your life for an inspiring service and a delicious meal!)



THE GENERAL BUDGET		
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BUD 6-4-2023 \$ 2,888.00 \$2,276.00 \$ (611.59) Year to date \$(10,280.07) \$ 66,424.00 \$56,143.93

For the year 2023, as of 6-4-2023

\$525.00	Building Fund
\$100.00	Dallas Christian Ministry
\$ 40.00	Vacation Bible School
\$ 40.00	Long Range Building Fund
\$ 40.00	Worship/Music
\$100.00	Pipe Organ Fund
\$ 25.00	Hoyle Scholarship
\$2,000.00	Landscaping
\$755.00	Area Lutheran Foundation
\$3,625.00	Total

Memorials: During the past week, the following memorials were given to the Glory of God and in support of:

Hoyle Scholarship Fund: In memory of Bobby Hoyle by John and Vivian Friday.

Building Fund: To the Glory of God by Janice Jarrett. **Area Foundation:** To the Glory of God by David Luoto.

Landscaping: In honor of PLC by Linda Weant.

Introduction of Online Giving:

Philadelphia is excited to announce the introduction of an electronic



option for making regular offerings. Contributions can now be debited automatically from your checking or savings account or processed using your credit or debit card. Our new electronic giving program offers convenience for you and provides donation. consistency for our congregation. To get started simply follow these steps:

- 1. Visit the website at [www.philadelphialutheran.org],
- 2. Click on the [online giving] button, then
- 3. Follow the onscreen instructions to create an online profile and to schedule your recurring contributions. We hope you enjoy this new way to contribute to our ministry!



Community Meals have resumed!

Holy Communion is hosting a FREE meal for the community, especially for those who are homeless or experiencing food insecurity, every **Thursday from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.** The hope is that each week a different church, group, family, or business will host the meal for 30-40 people; the hosts will bring a prepared meal, serve it, interact/eat with the guests, and clean up after the meal. Holy Communion will provide the space and the paper products each week. If you are part of a group, club, organization, or business (or your family or a group of your friends) would like to serve on another Thursday night, please let Pastor Shea know that. He is working to recruit the hosts for the first few months.