# THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JUNE 30, 2019 IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH Missouri Synod



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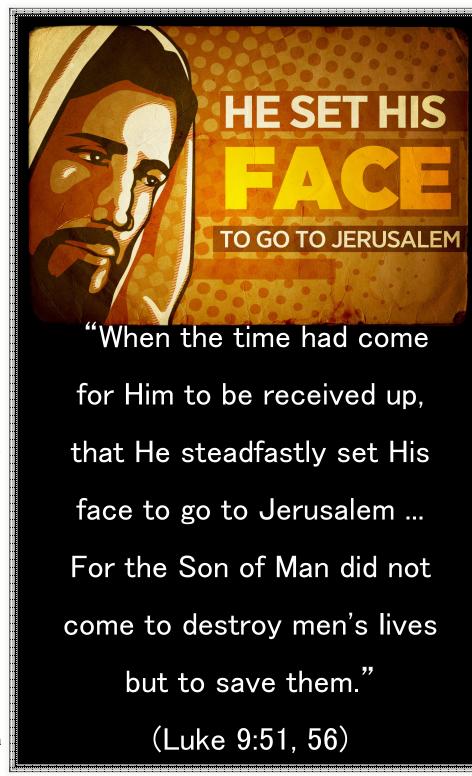
Sunday 9:00 AM Worship Service

10:30 am Adult Bible Class Sunday School

Holy Communion: 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday <u>Website</u> lutheranmercedes. com

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### WELCOME to IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

We wish to extend a warm welcome to all our visitors this morning. It is our hope that you will benefit by your worship here with us, and that you will return again soon. We would greatly appreciate it if everyone would fill out an Attendance/Communion card so that we can keep track of our attendance. They are the 3x5 white cards located in the pew racks in front of you.

This week we celebrate Holy Communion. We teach that in the receiving of the Lord's Supper each person receives the real presence of the Body and Blood of Christ for the forgiveness of their sins. If you are not a member of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod and desire to partake of Communion, please ask to speak with Pastor Weber or one of the elders prior to the service.

A Prayer Upon Entering Church - Dear heavenly Father, giver of all good things, bind my heart and mind to You, that I use my freedom for the sake of my neighbors and bear abundant fruit; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, my Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**AS WE GATHER** - While we have received great freedom in Christ, we must not use such freedom for our own selfish desires. We use our freedom to follow Jesus. We follow Jesus by living and walking in the Spirit of God, seeking to produce His fruit for the benefit of our neighbors. We cannot have caveats and conditions to following Jesus, as some people did in today's Gospel. Such people have become conceited and arrogant, thinking they can make demands of God. Thanks be to God that Jesus knows better than we do. Where He is leading is infinitely better than where we choose to go with all of our caveats and conditions.

#### WELCOME

#### **PRELUDE**

(A quiet time for prayer and meditation in preparation for worship)

# **DIVINE SERVICE, SETTING THREE**

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**OPENING HYMN** 

Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun

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#### INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

#### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(We take a moment of silence to reflect on our sin and our need for the Savior.)

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

  [[ohn 20:19-23]

C Amen.

# **INTROIT** *Psalm 85:8–10, 13; antiphon: v. 7*

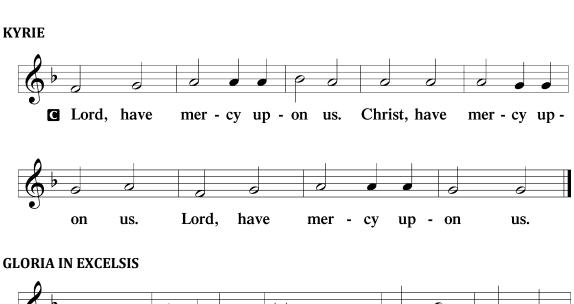
- P Show us Your mercy, Lord, And grant us Your salvation.
- C I will hear what God the Lord will speak, for He will speak peace to His people and to His saints; but let them not turn back to folly.
- P Surely His salvation is near to those who fear Him, that glory may dwell in our land.
- C Mercy and truth have met together; righteousness and peace have kissed.
- P Righteousness will go before Him, and shall make His footsteps our pathway.
- P Show us Your mercy, Lord, And grant us Your salvation.

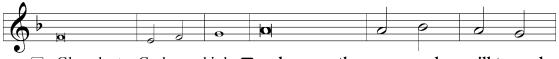
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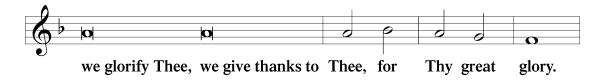
as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

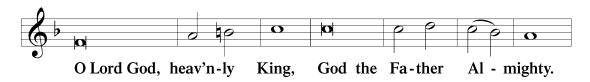




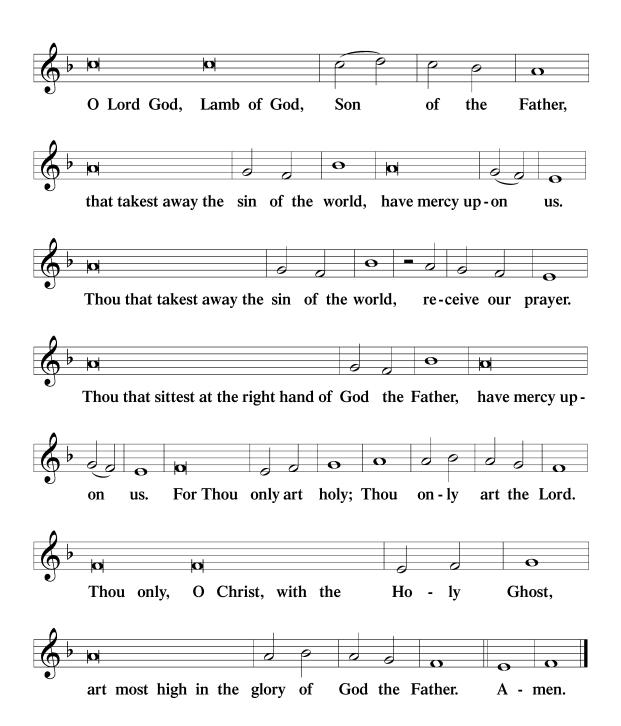
P Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good - will toward











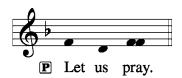
#### **SALUTATION**



P The Lord be with you.



#### PRAYER OF THE DAY



P Lord of all power and might, author and giver of all good things, graft into our hearts the love of Your name and nourish us with all goodness that we may love and serve our neighbor; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



#### **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

1 Kings 19:9b-21

(God reassures Elijah and sends him back to his people.)

9 and behold, the word of the Lord came to him, and He said to him, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" 10 So he said, "I have been very zealous for the Lord God of hosts; for the children of Israel have forsaken Your covenant, torn down Your altars, and killed Your prophets with the sword. I alone am left; and they seek to take my life." 11 Then He said, "Go out, and stand on the mountain before the Lord." And behold, the Lord passed by, and a great and strong wind tore into the mountains and broke the rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; 12 and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a still small voice. 13 So it was, when Elijah heard it, that he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood in the entrance of the

cave. Suddenly a voice came to him, and said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" 14 And he said, "I have been very zealous for the Lord God of hosts; because the children of Israel have forsaken Your covenant, torn down Your altars, and killed Your prophets with the sword. I alone am left; and they seek to take my life." 15 Then the Lord said to him: "Go, return on your way to the Wilderness of Damascus; and when you arrive, anoint Hazael as king over Syria. 16 Also you shall anoint Jehu the son of Nimshi as king over Israel. And Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel Meholah you shall anoint as prophet in your place. 17 It shall be that whoever escapes the sword of Hazael, Jehu will kill; and whoever escapes the sword of Jehu, Elisha will kill. 18 Yet I have reserved seven thousand in Israel, all whose knees have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him." 19 So he departed from there, and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen before him, and he was with the twelfth. Then Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle on him. 20 And he left the oxen and ran after Elijah, and said, "Please let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you." And he said to him, "Go back again, for what have I done to you?" 21 So Elisha turned back from him, and took a voke of oxen and slaughtered them and boiled their flesh, using the oxen's equipment, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he arose and followed Elijah, and became his servant.

- P This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God

# **PSALM** *Psalm 16; antiphon: v. 11*

- P You will show me the path of life; In Your presence is fullness of joy; At Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.
- C Preserve me, O God, for in You I put my trust.
- P O my soul, you have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord, my goodness is nothing apart from You."
- C As for the saints who are on the earth, "They are the excellent ones, in whom is all my delight."
- P Their sorrows shall be multiplied who hasten after another god; their drink offerings of blood I will not offer, nor take up their names on my lips.
- O Lord, You are the portion of my inheritance and my cup; You maintain my lot.
- P The lines have fallen to me in pleasant places; yes, I have a good inheritance.
- C I will bless the Lord who has given me counsel; my heart also instructs me in the night seasons.
- P I have set the Lord always before me; because He is at my right hand I shall not be moved.
- C Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoices; my flesh also will rest in hope.
- P For You will not leave my soul in Sheol, nor will You allow Your Holy One to see corruption.
- P You will show me the path of life; in Your presence is fullness of joy; at Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

# **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

#### **EPISTLE**

### Galatians 5:1, 13-25

(Our freedom in Christ is not permission to sin even more.)

1 Stand fast therefore in the liberty by which Christ has made us free, and do not be entangled again with a yoke of bondage. 13 For you, brethren, have been called to liberty; only do not use liberty as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. 14 For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." 15 But if you bite and devour one another, beware lest you be consumed by one another! 16 I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh. 17 For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish. 18 But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. 19 Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness, 20 idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies, 21 envy, murders, drunkenness, revelries, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told you in time past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. 22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law. 24 And those who are Christ's have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. 25 If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

- P This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

#### ALLELUIA



HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 9:51-62

(Following Jesus is costly.)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the ninth chapter.



51 Now it came to pass, when the time had come for Him to be received up, that He steadfastly set His face to go to Jerusalem, 52 and sent messengers before His face. And as they went, they entered a village of the Samaritans, to prepare for Him. 53 But they did not receive Him, because His face was set for the journey to Jerusalem. 54 And when His disciples James and John saw this, they said, "Lord, do You want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them, just as Elijah did?" 55 But He turned and rebuked them, and said, "You do not know what manner of spirit you are of. 56 For the Son of Man did not come to destroy men's lives but to save them." And they went to another village. 57 Now it happened as they journeyed on the road, that someone said to Him, Lord, I will follow You wherever You go." 58 And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay His head." 59 Then He said to another, "Follow Me." But he said, "Lord, let me first go and bury my father." 60 Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead, but you go and preach the kingdom of God." 61 And another also said, "Lord, I will follow You, but let me first go and bid them farewell who are at my house." 62 But Jesus said to him, "No one, having put his hand to the plow, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



# **NICENE CREED**

All: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

# **SERMON**

"Forward Looking Followers of Jesus"

(Luke 9:62)

#### **OFFERTORY**



# **OFFERING**

# SHARING OF THE PEACE

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Dear heavenly Father, many in this world have rejected Your Son and His grace. Soften their hearts, Lord, that they hear Your Word and receive You with joy and gladness. Lord, in Your mercy,

# C hear our prayer.

P Lord, many people in this world are in captivity. In Your infinite wisdom, liberate those who are held by evil and unjust people and systems. Lord, in Your mercy,

# C hear our prayer.

P Lord, walk with all those who are grieving and held captive by the power of death, [especially . . .]. Comfort them with the hope of the resurrection to eternal life. Lord, in Your mercy,

# C hear our prayer.

P Lord, raise up faithful leaders who are committed to liberty and justice. Oppose all those who would use others for their own ambition and pride. Lord, in Your mercy,

# C hear our prayer.

P Lord, give hope to all those who are isolated and lonely. Bring them into the presence of the loving community of Your Church that they find help, hope, and freedom among Your people. Lord, in Your mercy,

# C hear our prayer.

P Look, look with favor upon all who are sick, injured, and recovering, [especially . . .]. Have mercy upon them and heal them according to Your will. Lord, in Your mercy,

# C hear our prayer.

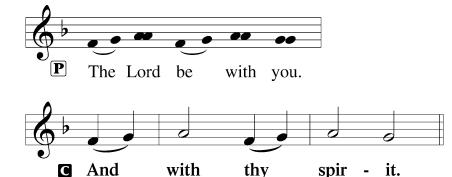
P Dear heavenly Father, send Your servants to every corner of the earth with Your Gospel message of freedom, that all who do not know the saving power of Your Son's death and resurrection hear the good news of forgiveness, life, and salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,

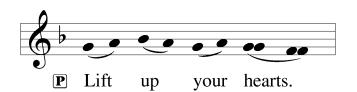
# C hear our prayer.

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

# C Amen.

#### **PREFACE**







We lift them the  $\mathbf{C}$ up un - to Lord.



give thanks un - to the Lord, our Let us God.



P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saving:

# **SANCTUS**



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,



bless-ed is He, bless-ed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross. Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

# **LORD'S PRAYER** (*Matthew 6:9–13*)

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.





#### THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

- Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when P He had given thanks. He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."
- In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks. P He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it. in remembrance of Me."

# Pax Domini

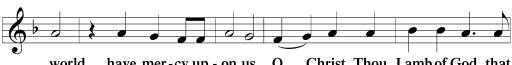


The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



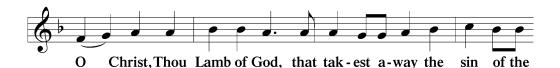
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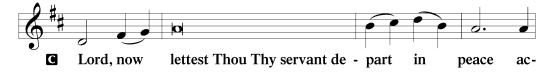
Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that world, have mer-cy up - on us. О





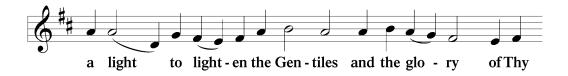


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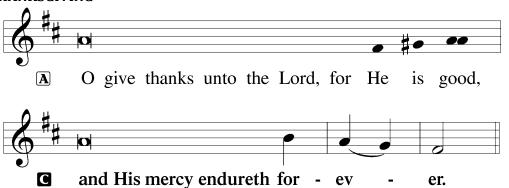








# **THANKSGIVING**



P We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this Salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



# **BENEDICAMUS**



**P** The Lord be with you.



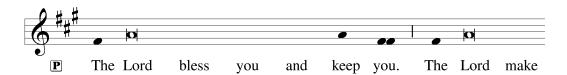
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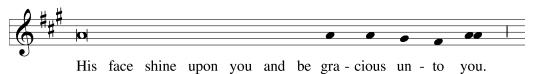


A Bless we the Lord.

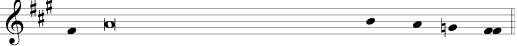


# **BENEDICTION**





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The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.



SENDING HYMN

Lord of All Hopefulness

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#### DISMISSAL

P Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

C Thanks be to God.

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# A Prayer for the Church

by James L. Brauer

Congregations: Consider using these words in the Prayer of the Church on or before July 14, as you pray together for the Synod convention (July 20–25). Reproduction for parish use is permitted.

O Christ, when You ascended into heaven, You sent Your disciples into the world to make disciples of all nations by baptizing them and teaching them to observe everything You commanded. Bless our church body, The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, as it holds its 2019 convention.

O Lord, You brought great joy to the wise men when they saw the star that led them to You. Give all members of our Synod great joy in following You, that in every situation they are ready to hear Your Word, give thanks for all Your benefits and trust in Your promises.

Ruler of All, Your Word brought the universe into existence and is able to turn rebellious sinners into thankful servants. With Your Word govern and sustain every congregation, educational institution, service organization and church worker in our Synod. Guide them in their tasks of sharing the Good News of Your victory over sin, death and the devil. Help everyone who labors in Your Kingdom to be Your faithful servant.

Lamb of God, You are the Alpha and Omega and Head of Your Church. Guide those who plan the convention's worship, business and communications, that everything done or said there would serve Your purpose of bringing salvation to every nation and people. Direct the work of floor committees as they review proposals and draft motions, that all who are involved may hear clearly, discuss calmly and prepare wise recommendations. Give all delegates, especially those who will cast votes, diligence in studying the issues at stake, wisdom in discerning Your will and charity in dealing with others, that every decision they make will honor and serve You. Send the Holy Spirit on all who are elected to positions of authority, that they will be enabled to serve with a pure heart, to seek Your guidance in all matters and to carry out their duties faithfully and well. Watch over all who travel to the convention that they may arrive safely; protect them from every harm as they labor together and as they return home.

Shepherd of the Church, You supply us with everything we need and are always with us. Continue to nourish and strengthen us with Your Word and Sacraments, and fill our hearts with gladness, so that by our labors under Your guidance, many more may be brought into Your flock.

O Jesus, we ask all this in Your name, for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.





	Bi-Weekly Church Activity Schedule			
	June Sunday Servants:	July Servants:		
Elder:	Earl Neuhaus	Neuhaus Dan Wehling		
Altar Guild:	Billie Jo Neuhaus & Maribel Perez L. Eilers & S. Wehling			
Music:	Bonny Winston			
This Week	Third Sunday after Pentecost			
Usher:	Don Vogel			
Sunday:	Holy Communion Worship Service	9:00 am		
	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study	10:30 am		
Next Week	Fourth Sunday after Pentecost			
Usher:	Earl Neuhaus			
Sunday:	Holy Communion Worship Service	9:00 am		
	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study	10:30 am		

# **Christ's Messengers Proclaim His Kingdom**

When the prophet Elijah became discouraged and despaired of his life, "the word of the Lord came to him" (1 Kings 19:9b) and stood him "on the mount before the Lord" (1 Kings 19:11). The Lord made Himself known to the prophet — not in the impressive power of gale force winds, or in an earthquake, or in the fire, but in "the sound of a low whisper" (1 Kings 19:12). Today God reveals Himself to us through the frail preaching of the Gospel. The Son of Man sends "messengers ahead of him … to make preparations for him" (Luke 9:52). Putting their hand to that plow of preaching, they "go and proclaim the kingdom of God," and they do not look back (Luke 9:60, 62). What they preach is not the power of the Law with its "yoke of slavery," but the power of God unto salvation through the Gospel of forgiveness, by which "Christ has set us free" (Gal. 5:1).

6/23/2019 Sunday Worship	29		Fourth Sunday
Plate:		\$ 45.00	
Envelopes:		\$ 1,348.00	
Donations:			Readings :
Genesis PC		\$ 500.00	
Memorials:			Isaiah 66:10-14 Psalm 66:1-7 Galatians 6:1-10, 14-18
Total:		\$ 1,893.00	Luke 10:1-20
Bible Class: 1	.4	\$—	

# FROM PASTOR'S DESK

Portals of Prayer for July to September are available In the Narthrex.

Sunday School:

**Join us for Sunday School and Bible Study** at 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. You have fellowship with one another and also enrich your spiritual life with the Word. **Pastor Weber** will be leading the Bible Study.

Children's Sunday School

is available with lots of fun activities.

Church Office will be closed July 2nd to the 8th.

Elders' Meeting -Tuesday, July 2, 2019, 7:30 p.m.