

Schwarzwald Lutheran Church

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<u>11TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST</u> AUGUST 8, 2021



HYMNS ON THE CARILLON

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENTENCE OF SCRIPTURE 1 Corinthians 9:25

Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last, but we do it to get a crown that will last forever.

CALL TO WORSHIP—RINGING THE BELLS

Please stand.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

C Amen.

P Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- P God, our provider,
- C help us.
 - It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live.

250 Church Lane Road Reading, PA 19606 Church Office Phone 610-779-3480 Church Office Fax 610-779-2777 Website www.schwarzwaldlutheran.org E-mail administrator@schwarzwaldlutheran.org Emergency 610-914-8257 We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

GATHERING HYMN God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind



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Pastor Steve's Office Hours are as follows:

Monday and Wednesday, 1-4pm. Tuesday 11am-2pm. Please remember that planned and unplanned events can come up, so you may want to call ahead of time, AND other times to meet can be arranged.

<u>FREE FIGHTIN' PHILS TICKETS</u> In the Narthex, there are free tickets for the Fightin' Phils home game being held on Thursday, September 9 at 7:05 PM. <u>Help yourself!!</u>

FROM SOCIAL MINISTRY COMMITTEE

As part of Mary's Shelter's "Strong Program", the **Giving Tree** in the Narthex has "bloomed" with cards listing items needed to complete the bedroom designed by Exeter's Design Team. You may place your donations in the container near the tree. The deadline for delivering your items to church is Sunday, **September 12**. Please remember that all items are to be new. Thank you so much for helping with this project!!

RALLY DAY — SEPTEMBER 12

We are looking for adults to help run a carnival game, preferably adults without kids attending. The game would run from 9:00 to 10:15 a.m. If you don't feel comfortable creating a game, you can use one that we have ready to go. Please contact Crystal Jordan, clw1481@aol.com, if you are interested in helping. Also, prewrapped candy donations to be used for a candy scramble would be much appreciated!



ACOLYTES WE ARE BACK

STARTING SEPTEMBER 12 AT 10:30 A.M.

If you are interested in serving God and your Church, being an acolyte ages 9 to 15 is a great way to participate as a leader in Worshiping God.

Please complete the lower half and drop it in the collection plate in the Narthex or the office.

----- cut / tear -----

Name _

Phone # _____



E-mail

WORSHIP LEADERS

The Rev. Dr. Steven H. Shussett, Pastor Ben D'Annibale, Music Director Larry Houp, Usher Team Captain Denton Quick, Assisting Minister Judy Ney, Carillonneur Nate and Tim Morgan, Zoom Masters

ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you are a visitor, a special welcome to you, and if you are without a church home, we invite you to join our fellowship. If you do not have a Bible at home, please take one from the welcome table.

The **altar flowers** are presented to the glory of God and sponsored by Susan and David Johns in honor and in memory of Susan's parents, Ethel and Albert Mercer.

Large print bulletins and hearing receivers are available in the Narthex. Please see an usher for assistance.

Children's bulletins for readers and pre-readers are provided each week. They can be found on clipboards in the marked milk crates in the narthex and vestibule. Please return the clipboards. **The crayons are yours to take home!**

ALTAR FLOWER AND BULLETIN SPONSORS—2 sponsors per week. If you would like to sponsor the altar flowers (\$25) or bulletins (\$14), please call the church office, 610-779-3480.

CARDS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX for a note of "thinking of you," "cheer," "wishing you well," etc. Please pick a card and send it to someone on the church prayer list or on your personal prayer list to help keep their spirits up!

TUESDAY MORNING GROUP - The Tuesday morning Bible Study / Work Group will continue to meet during the summer months—every Tuesday, 10:00 a.m., Fellowship Hall. Please join us!

BREAKFAST BUNCH - Thursday, August 12, at 9:00 a.m. at Effie's Charcoal Chef Restaurant. All are welcome!

SCHWARZWALD WALKERS Beat the heat this summer and walk with SLC!

August 28 - 8:00 a.m. walk at Schuylkill River Trail

<u>Parking</u>: Turn at 100 Campbell Ford Rd, Douglassville, PA 19518. The parking area is at Union Meadows East. This is for the one mile loop. But participants can feel free to do more of Schuylkill River Trail proper.

We look forward to seeing you and getting to enjoy God's beauty.

GREETING

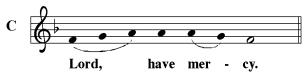
- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

KYRIE

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



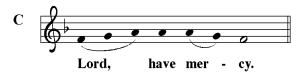
P For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



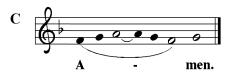
P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



P For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



P Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.



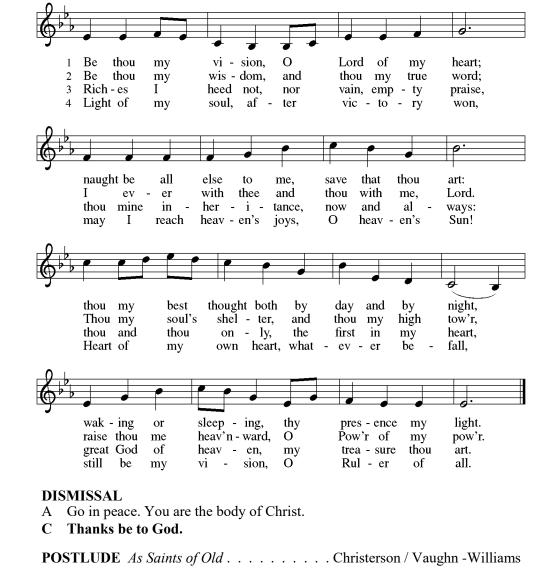
CANTICLE OF PRAISE

P Glory to God in the highest and peace to his people of earth.



Please be seated.

SENDING HYMN Be Thou My Vision



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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Prayers for those with immediate concerns

Scot Griesemer	George Hughes	David Johns
Chuck Weiser	Jan Zabodyn	Fionn Flanagan
Ann Mohr	Nancy Mohr	Fred Mohr, Sr.
Scott Gumpert	Peter Seoane	Edie Tiderman
The family and friends of Delores Conrad in their grief		

After each petition of the prayers:

- A God, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.

SHARING THE PEACE

P The peace of our Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

Offer those with you in body or spirit a gesture of peace, saying **Peace be with you.**

Please be seated.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

A basket for your offering is available in the Narthex on entering.

SPECIAL MUSIC Sonata for Flute and Piano, II. Cantilena Poulenc The offering is brought forward to the altar by an usher.

Please stand.

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 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

CHILDREN'S CIRCLE

FIRST READING 1 Kings 19:4-8

⁴[Elijah] went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." ⁵Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." ⁶He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. ⁷The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." ⁸He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

A The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 34:1-8 read responsively ¹I will bless the LORD at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth. ²Mv soul makes its boast in the LORD: let the humble hear and be glad. ³O magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together. ⁴I sought the LORD, and he answered me, and delivered me from all my fears. ⁵Look to him, and be radiant; so your faces shall never be ashamed. ⁶This poor soul cried, and was heard by the LORD, and was saved from every trouble. ⁷The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them. ⁸O taste and see that the LORD is good: happy are those who take refuge in him.

A The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING Ephesians 4:25--5:2

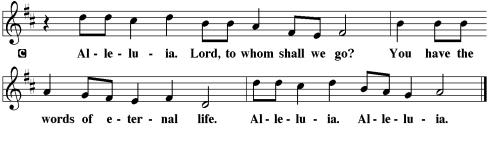
²⁵So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. ²⁶Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷and do not make room for the devil. ²⁸Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. ²⁹Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. ³⁰And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. ³¹Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander,

together with all malice, ³²and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. ^{5:1}Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, ²and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

- A The word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



- P The Gospel according to John.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

HOLY GOSPEL John 6:35, 41-51

³⁵Jesus said to [the crowd,] "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. ⁴¹Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." ⁴²They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" ⁴³Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. ⁴⁴No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. ⁴⁵It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me.⁴⁶Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life.⁴⁸I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

- P The Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

Please stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts



APOSTLES' CREED

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.