

St. Luke's Evangelical Lutheran Church
310 West Main Street
Saxonburg, PA
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Sunday, July 21, 2019

6th Sunday after Pentecost

8:15 am

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *A Prayer for Peace -- Lani Smith*

*When the music of the prelude begins, please lower your voice;
but, after worship raise your voice with joy!)*

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Leader: In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son,
 and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen.

L: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires
known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts
of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may
perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

L: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one
another.

Please kneel for silent self-reflection

L: Most merciful God,

**C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free
ourselves. 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. 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.

L: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

GATHERING SONG Christ, Be Our Light (ELW 715)

GREETING

L: 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.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

Refrain



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



1 Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we

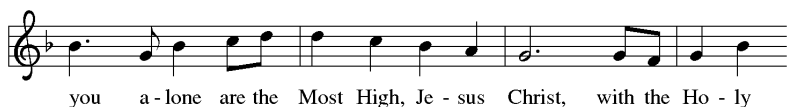
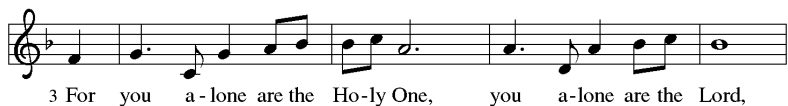
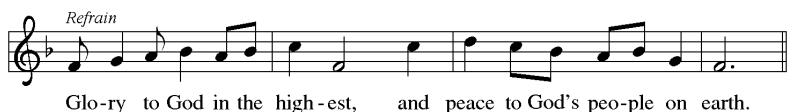


wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

Refrain



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray.

C: Eternal God, you draw near to us in Christ, and you make yourself our guest. Amid the cares of our lives, make us attentive to your presence, that we may treasure your word above all else, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING: Genesis 18: 1-10

The first reading is from chapter 18 of Genesis

¹ The LORD appeared to Abraham near the great trees of Mamre while he was sitting at the entrance to his tent in the heat of the day. ² Abraham looked up and saw three men standing nearby. When he saw them, he hurried from the entrance of his tent to meet them and bowed low to the ground.

³ He said, “If I have found favor in your eyes, my lord, do not pass your servant by. ⁴ Let a little water be brought, and then you may all wash your feet and rest under this tree. ⁵ Let me get you something to eat, so you can be refreshed and then go on your way—now that you have come to your servant.”

“Very well,” they answered, “do as you say.”

⁶ So Abraham hurried into the tent to Sarah. “Quick,” he said, “get three seahs of the finest flour and knead it and bake some bread.”

⁷ Then he ran to the herd and selected a choice, tender calf and gave it to a servant, who hurried to prepare it. ⁸ He then brought some curds and milk and the calf that had been prepared, and set these before them. While they ate, he stood near them under a tree.

⁹ “Where is your wife Sarah?” they asked him.

“There, in the tent,” he said.

¹⁰ Then one of them said, “I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife will have a son.”

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 27: 7-14

Please read responsively.

⁷ Hear my voice when I call, LORD;
be merciful to me and answer me.

⁸ **My heart says of you, “Seek his face!”
Your face, LORD, I will seek.**

⁹ Do not hide your face from me,
do not turn your servant away in anger;
you have been my helper.
Do not reject me or forsake me,
God my Savior.

¹⁰ **Though my father and mother forsake me,
the LORD will receive me.**

¹¹ Teach me your way, LORD;
lead me in a straight path
because of my oppressors.

¹² **Do not turn me over to the desire of my foes,
for false witnesses rise up against me,
spouting malicious accusations.**

¹³ I remain confident of this:
I will see the goodness of the LORD
in the land of the living.

¹⁴ **Wait for the LORD;
be strong and take heart
and wait for the LORD.**

SECOND READING: Colossians 1: 21-29

The second reading is from chapter 1 of Colossians.

²¹ Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior. ²² But now he has reconciled you by Christ’s physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from

accusation—²³ if you continue in your faith, established and firm, and do not move from the hope held out in the gospel. This is the gospel that you heard and that has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven, and of which I, Paul, have become a servant.

²⁴ Now I rejoice in what I am suffering for you, and I fill up in my flesh what is still lacking in regard to Christ's afflictions, for the sake of his body, which is the church. ²⁵ I have become its servant by the commission God gave me to present to you the word of God in its fullness—²⁶ the mystery that has been kept hidden for ages and generations, but is now disclosed to the Lord's people. ²⁷ To them God has chosen to make known among the Gentiles the glorious riches of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

²⁸ He is the one we proclaim, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone fully mature in Christ. ²⁹ To this end I strenuously contend with all the energy Christ so powerfully works in me.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. *Repeat alleluia*

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

GOSPEL: Luke 10: 38-42

L: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, chapter 10.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

³⁸ As Jesus and his disciples were on their way, he came to a village where a woman named Martha opened her home to him.

³⁹ She had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet listening to what he said. ⁴⁰ But Martha was distracted by all the preparations that had to be made. She came to him and asked, "Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me!"

⁴¹ "Martha, Martha," the Lord answered, "you are worried and upset about many things, ⁴² but few things are needed—or indeed only one. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her."

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

**Will You Come and Follow Me
(ELW 798)**

CREED

We believe in one God,

**the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

**the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the
dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,*

who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and
glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Sonate II -- J.S. Bach,*

Revised by John Wummer and Jean Albert de la Tournerie

Flute solo by Maddie Crytzer

OFFERING PRAYER

L: Let us pray.

C: Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through
your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our
selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we
have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through
the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and
Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

L: Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our Prayer.

LORD’S PRAYER

L: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**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.**

BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord’s face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C: Amen.

SENDING SONG Shine, Jesus, Shine (ELW 671)

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE *A Joyous Acclamation -- Gerald Peterson*

PREPARING FOR NEXT WEEK

Gen. 18: 20–33; Psalm 138; Col. 2:6–15; Luke 11:1–13

WELCOME!

*Please complete the pew card before you leave worship this day.
Pastor Keller would be happy to visit with you at the time and place of your
choosing to answer questions about membership. Simply call the church
office at 724-352-2333 to make an appointment.*

THIS MORNING'S WORSHIP MINISTRY TEAM INCLUDES:

	8:15 Service	10:00 Service
ACOLYTES	Megan Edder	Alex Kadunce
ALTAR GUILD	Audrey Lott and Wendy Mendenhall	Helen McLafferty and Jackie Bice
BREAD BAKER		Jennifer Keller
READER/ASST MINISTER	Amy Montag-Smith	Travis Yates
GREETERS	Beryl Mottern and Ruth Markwell	Judy Franke and Cindy Wills
USHERS	Carl Smith and Audrey Lott	Carl Bracken and Gayle Gundlach
OFFERING COUNTERS	Jeff Hartzell and Bill Gordon	

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