

FIRST READING: Lamentations 3:22-33

The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases,
his mercies never come to an end;
²³they are new every morning;
great is your faithfulness.

²⁴“The LORD is my portion,” says my soul,
“therefore I will hope in him.”

²⁵The LORD is good to those who wait for him,
to the soul that seeks him.

²⁶It is good that one should wait quietly
for the salvation of the LORD.

²⁷It is good for one to bear
the yoke in youth,

²⁸to sit alone in silence

when the LORD has imposed it,
²⁹to put one’s mouth to the dust
(there may yet be hope),

³⁰to give one’s cheek to the smiter,
and be filled with insults.

³¹For the LORD will not
reject forever.

³²Although he causes grief, he will have compassion
according to the abundance of his steadfast love;

³³for he does not willingly afflict
or grieve anyone.

or Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24 [not printed]

Psalm 30

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 8:7-15 [not printed]

GOSPEL: Mark 5:21-43

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. ²²Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet ²³and begged him repeatedly, “My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live.” ²⁴So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. ²⁵Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. ²⁶She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. ²⁷She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, ²⁸for she said, “If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well.” ²⁹Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. ³⁰Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, “Who touched my clothes?” ³¹And his disciples said to him, “You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, ‘Who touched me?’” ³²He looked all around to see who had done it. ³³But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him,

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All Are Welcome

Do you ever feel left out? Do you ever wonder if Jesus is really for *you*? Perhaps you wonder if your sins are too many, or too bad. Or perhaps life has dealt you a rotten hand, and if people only knew what was going on behind your shallow “I’m fine” at church coffee hour, they wouldn’t be so friendly. Or maybe you’ve heard that Jesus is for the marginalized, the victims, and the irreligious—and you’re none of those things. You have a solid family, a good job, a nice church you’re very involved in. *Perhaps Jesus is too busy to be bothered with my concerns, you think.*

If you’ve ever thought that perhaps you’re not the right sort of person for the message of Jesus, today’s gospel reading should set your mind at ease. In one quick story Jesus heals a woman of low status *and* the daughter of a man well respected in the community. The woman with the endless flow of blood shouldn’t be near anyone, according to long-followed laws. But in faith, she dares to brush her fingers against the hem of Jesus’ cloak and, instead of a rebuke, hears the loving voice of her Savior. The leader of the synagogue is precisely the sort of religious authority we tell ourselves Jesus came to cast down from their thrones. But in faith, he dares to ask Jesus into his home and, instead of a rebuke, sees the Messiah restore his daughter to life.

No matter who you are, Jesus is for you. Jew or Gentile, rich or poor, any gender, any background, marginalized or imbued with worldly power—Jesus is for you. He is not ashamed or afraid of you. He is not too busy helping others. Reach out in faith and let him show you just how much he loves you.

Gospel, continued

and told him the whole truth. ³⁴He said to her, “Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.”

³⁵While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader’s house to say, “Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?” ³⁶But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, “Do not fear, only believe.” ³⁷He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. ³⁸When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. ³⁹When he had entered, he said to them, “Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping.” ⁴⁰And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child’s father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. ⁴¹He took her by the hand and said to her, “Talitha cum,” which means, “Little girl, get up!” ⁴²And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. ⁴³He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

Next Sunday’s Readings: Ezekiel 2:1-5; Psalm 123; 2 Corinthians 12:2-10; Mark 6:1-13.

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Little girl, get up!

MARK 5:41





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THE 8:30 AM SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

A Time for Silent Prayer and Meditation

The Prelude: *"The Healing Hand of God"* Ritter

+THE HYMN: ALL ARE WELCOME No. 641

+ The Kyrie – page 147

+ The Hymn of Praise: "This Is the Feast" – page 149

+ The Prayer of the Day (insert)

The Readings for the Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

The Sermon: **"The Godly Charge"**

+THE HYMN: O GOD, OUR HELP IN AGES PAST No. 632

(vs. 1, 2, 3, 4 & 6)

+ The Apostles' Creed – page 105

+The Prayers (insert)

The Voluntary: *"The Way of Holiness"* Stairs

+ The Communion Liturgy – page 152

THE HYMNS DURING COMMUNION:

ALL WHO HUNGER GATHER GLADLY No. 461

SOFTLY AND TENDERLY No. 608

+ The Prayer after Communion

+ The Blessing and Dismissal – page 155

+THE HYMN: IN THEE IS GLADNESS No. 867

The Postlude: *"By Faith Transformed"* Smith



Today's chancel flowers are given by Marie and Joe Perry in celebration of their 55th wedding anniversary.

THE 10:00 AM SERVICE OF THE WORD

A Time for Silent Prayer and Meditation

The Prelude: *"The Healing Hand of God"* Ritter

+THE HYMN: ALL ARE WELCOME No. 641

+ The Holy Baptism – page 227

+ The Canticle: **"I Was There to Hear Your Boring Cry"**

+ The Prayer of the Day (insert)

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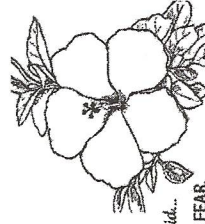
+ "Salvation Belongs to Our God" – page 219

+ The Closing Prayers – page 220

+ The Blessing and Dismissal – page 221

+THE HYMN: IN THEE IS GLADNESS No. 867

The Postlude: *"By Faith Transformed"* Smith



Jesus said...

"DO NOT FEAR."

MARK 5:36

ONLY BELIEVE.

The Organist: Donna Choquette

The Lectors: 8:30 Susan Mish

10:00 Andrew Behrman

The Acolytes: 8:30 Isaac Bell and Marek Bell

10:00 Noah Bergmann and Thalia Marsh

Attention Acolytes! Don't forget to sign up to acolyte for the upcoming months. Thank you for your help in worship.

Pictures may be taken at our service to use on our updated website. Please contact us if you desire we not use any photograph including your image

Our intercessions include:

+**The Holy Baptism:** *Elsie Reign Bonecki*, daughter of Brian and Nicole (nee Ceh). Born: December 6, 2023. The Sponsors: Beth Bachler and Patrick Hand.



VBS NEWS

Are you ready to paint, color, cut ...? Come on over to church this week to help with VBS Set-Up and Decorating! We'll be here Monday thru Wednesday from 9 am to Noon, 1 pm to 4:30 pm and 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm. We'll be back on Friday from 9am to Noon and 1 pm to 4:30 pm. *On Tuesday, we offer a pizza lunch at 12:30 pm for those helping that day.* Come and join the fun!

Planning for SCUBA VBS is diving deep! We're looking for many more Crew Assistants--Jr. High (completed 6th grade and up).

VBS is July 8-12 so volunteer today! Sign up to volunteer on the bulletin board or by emailing Mrs. Lori. **SERVICE HOURS CAN BE EARNED!**

Oops--Calendar Correction! Please change your July newsletter calendar to reflect communion at the early service on July 7 and 21 and at the late service on July 14 and 28. Sorry for the error!

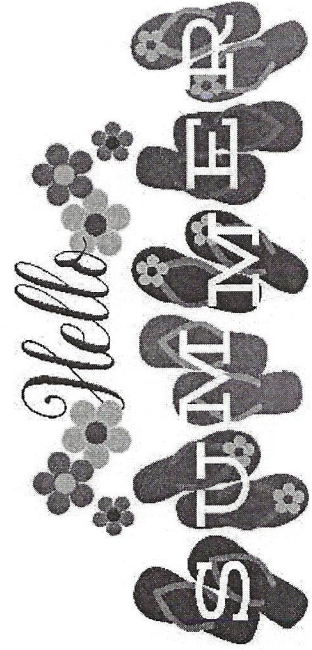
Summer Sunday school needs your help! Volunteer teachers are needed to share God's love with our children. Please stop by the bulletin board today to sign up for a Sunday or two.

The Church grounds look great...Can you help keep them that way? Our landscapers are looking for some help doing tasks like weeding, watering and other odd jobs that make a big difference. Contact Pastor Chris if you're willing to help.

See the back of the insert for this week's calendar and important notes!

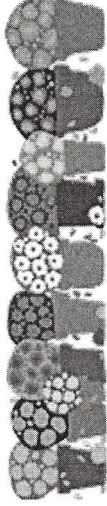
DURING THE WEEK OF JUNE 30

SUN	8:30 am	Service of Holy Communion Online Message
	10:00 am	Service of the Word
	10:00 am	Summer Sunday School
MON	11:15 am	Youth Gathering Meeting
	9:00 am to Noon 1:00 pm to 4:30 pm	VBS Set Up & Decorating
	4:00 pm	"Just a Quick Word" - YouTube/FB
TUE	5:30 pm to 7:30 pm	VBS Set Up & Decorating
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WED	9:00 am to Noon 1:00 pm to 4:30 pm 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm	VBS Set Up & Decorating
		HAPPY 4 TH OF JULY!!
	9:00 pm	Prayer Walk
FRI	9:00 am to Noon 1:00 pm to 4:30 pm	VBS Set Up & Decorating
	8:30 am	Service of Holy Communion
		Online Message
SUN	10:00 am	Service of the Word
	10:00 am	Summer Sunday School
	11:15 am	Complete VBS Set up & Décor



Welcome to Worship

"The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies ... are new every morning" (Lamentations 3:22-23, NRSV). Let us worship our ever-faithful God.



Don't be root-bound

As a new gardener, Jan Riggensch used to treat bedding plants with extreme care, setting them into soil without disturbing the roots. Eventually she learned that rough — even ruthless — treatment is better in the long run.

"If the plant has been growing in its pot so long that the roots are circling the bottom, I jab my finger into the bottom of the soil and pull down to untangle the roots," Riggensch wrote in her gardening column. "If the whole pot is filled with circling roots, I have to be merciless. I don't worry if I break some of the roots. That's better than allowing the roots to continue to circle when the plants are growing in the garden."

In the same way, it's easy to grow complacent and inward-focused in our walk with God. But bunched-up roots can't reach out for sustenance. So for maximum faith growth, dare to let God shake you up from time to time!

Welcomed back to the fold

When her beloved dogs "returned home from an adventure smelling of eau de skunk parfum," Pastor Joanna Loucky-Ramsey refused to let them in the house. Instead, she cleaned and cared for them outside, slowly reintroducing them to "full participation in family life" once the stink eased.

"The odor left by the skunk could serve as a metaphor for our sin or for the sin others perpetrate against us," she writes. "As much as God loves us, he hates the sin that hides the lovely fragrance of the image of God within each of us. God wants to welcome each of us into his family and into the heavenly home he has prepared for us, but we need to be 'deodorized' from the eau de sin parfum that would mar the entire experience of being in God's fragrant presence."

Loucky-Ramsey continues: "Just as our dogs needed our help to get rid of the smell of skunk, we need God's help to purge us from the offense of sin that permeates our nature and masks who God created us to be. That's what Jesus accomplished by his death and resurrection: to make us new and whole."

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and merciful God, we implore you to hear the prayers of your people. Be our strong defense against all harm and danger, that we may live and grow in faith and hope, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

One in the communion of saints and in the power of the Holy Spirit, we join our voices in prayer.

A brief silence.

God of abundance, you fill your church here, in Coronationville and in all places with a multitude of gifts. Sustain those among us who feel they are not valued. Open our hearts to the wondrous breadth of all who call upon your name. In your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

God of creation, your goodness abounds. Multiply the fruits of the earth and ensure it may flourish for generations to come. In your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

God of justice, you reign in steadfast love. Bring peace between peoples ravaged by conflict and illumine paths of justice and freedom for those who lead them. May the leaders and servants of our country and community serve your will. In your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

God of compassion, your touch brings healing and your word revives us for life. Hear our prayers for any who are in need or mourning (*especially*) and for all workers who provide care to them and to others. In your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

God of community, you gather us at your table of plenty. Where there is hunger among us, open our hands. Where we are indifferent to the needs of others, open our hearts. In your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

God of the ages, great is your faithfulness. We remember in thanksgiving the faithful who have entered their eternal home and now rejoice in your realm of glory. In your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

Holy God, holy and merciful: into your outstretched arms we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

PRAYER LIST

Members of the Congregation

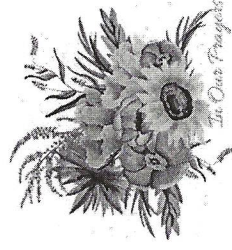
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Please contact the church office by 9 am Friday if you have someone you would like included or taken off the printed prayer list.