## St. Paul Lutheran Church of Catonsville



The 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost June 11, 2023



If you are a guest with us today, we extend a special welcome in the name of Jesus! If you have questions or prayer requests or want to get in touch with us, please sign the guest book in the lobby (or use this QR code) or email or call.



Children's Bulletins are available in the lobby.

**Service Live-streamed In The Learning Center** Turn right when you leave the sanctuary and follow the hall around to The Learning Center if you need a break during the service.

**Prelude:** Please use the prelude as a time for quiet prayer and meditation before worship.

**Prayer before Worship:** Bless me, O God, with a reverent sense of your presence, that I may be at peace and may worship you with all my mind and spirit; through Jesus Christ my Lord. Amen.

#### For Those Who Desire to Receive the Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at St. Paul in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an elder. (Non-alcoholic wine is available in the center of the communion trays.)

## St. Paul Lutheran Church and School

2001 Old Frederick Road Catonsville, Maryland 21228 Church: 410-747-1897 School: 410-747-1924 www.stpaulcatonsville.org email: secretary@stpaulcatonsville.org

Pastor Gregory Alms Renata O'Reilly, Organist & Choir Director

# The Second Sunday after Pentecost June 11, 2023

**Prelude:** Spirit of the Living God Arranged by Dr. John Walker (b. 1941) Ubi caritas: Where True Charity Is, God Is There Marilyn Biery (b. 1959) Chief of Sinners Though I Be LSB 611 1 Chief of sin - ners though be. sus shed His 2 Oh. the height of Je sus' love. High er than the 3 On ly Je - sus can im - part Balm to heal the 4 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Christ is all in 5 O af - ford mv Say - ior. help By Your Spir - it Died Ι blood for me, that might live high, on heav'ns a - bove. Deep - er than the depths of sea. Peace wound - ed sin heart, that flows from for - giv'n, Him all to me; All my wants to are known, Your Word! When my and way - ward heart would stray, Lives that Ι might nev die. As the branch is Last - ing as ni - ty! Love that found mee ter Jov that lifts the soul to heav'n, Faith and hope to Αĺ my sor - rows are His own. He sus tains the Keep me in the row way; Grace in time of nar the vine, His, and He mine. to am is won - drous thought! Found me when I sought Him not. walk with God In the wav that E - noch trod. hid den life with Him from Safe earth - lv strife. live While Ι and when die. need ply sup Text: William McComb, 1793-1873, alt. Tune: Richard Redhead, 1820-1901

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## Confession and Absolution

Invocation Matthew 28:19b; 18:20

- P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

#### **Exhortation**

Psalm 124:8; Psalm 130:3-4; Luke 18:13

- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C who made heaven and earth.
- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

#### Kneel/Sit

#### **Confession of Sins**

C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

### Absolution

[John 20:19-23]

- 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 T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Stand

## Service of the Word

Kyrie

Mark 10:47



C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.



## Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

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- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray.
- C Almighty and most merciful God, You sent Your Son, Jesus Christ, to seek and to save the lost. Graciously open our ears and our hearts to hear His call and to follow Him by faith that we may feast with Him forever in His kingdom; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Sit

Anthem: I Will Sing New Songs from Biblical Songs Antonin Dvořák
Charlotte McKay, Soprano (1841-1904)

I will sing new songs of gladness, I will sing Jehovah's praises upon a ten-stringed psaltery.

Every day will I extol Thee and will bless Thy Holy Name, I will bless Thy Holy Name.

Great is God and great His mercy. Who shall tell of all His greatness?

Who shall His power declare?

My song shall be of praise and honor, and of Thy glorious acts.

Thy works are wonderful, past our knowing.

Yea, men shall tell of Thy great kindness and of Thy wondrous might, and my voice shall proclaim aloud Thy glory.

## **Old Testament Reading**

Hosea 5:15-6:6

<sup>15</sup>I will return again to my place, until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face, and in their distress earnestly seek me.

<sup>1</sup>"Come, let us return to the LORD; for he has torn us, that he may heal us; he has struck us down, and he will bind us up. <sup>2</sup>After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him. <sup>3</sup>Let us know; let us press on to know the LORD; his going out is sure as the dawn; he will come to us as the showers, as the spring rains that water the earth." <sup>4</sup>What 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 early away. <sup>5</sup>Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets; I have slain them by the words of my mouth, and my judgment goes forth as the light. <sup>6</sup>For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice. the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

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

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You have dealt well with your | servant,*
O LORD, according | to your word.

Teach me good judgment and | knowledge,*
for I believe in your com- | mandments.

Before I was afflicted I | went astray,*
but now I | keep your word.

You are good and | do good;*
teach me your | statutes.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

You have dealt well with your | servant,*
O LORD, according | to your word.
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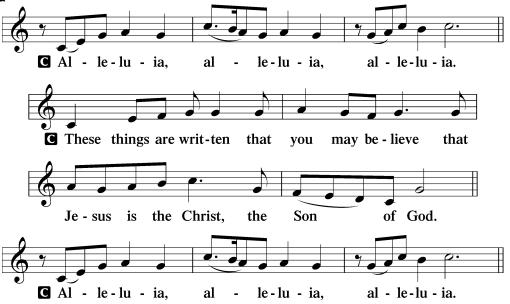
Epistle Romans 4:13–25

<sup>13</sup>The promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith. <sup>14</sup>For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. <sup>15</sup>For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression.

<sup>16</sup>That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring—not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, <sup>17</sup>as 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. <sup>18</sup>In hope he believed against hope, that he should become the father of many nations, as he had been told, "So shall your offspring be." <sup>19</sup>He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was as good as dead (since he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. <sup>20</sup>No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, <sup>21</sup>fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. <sup>22</sup>That is why his faith was "counted to him as righteousness." <sup>23</sup>But the words "it was counted to him" were not written for his sake alone, <sup>24</sup>but for ours also. It will be counted to us who believe in him who raised from the dead Jesus our Lord, <sup>25</sup>who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification.

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

#### Stand Alleluia



Holy Gospel Matthew 9:9–13

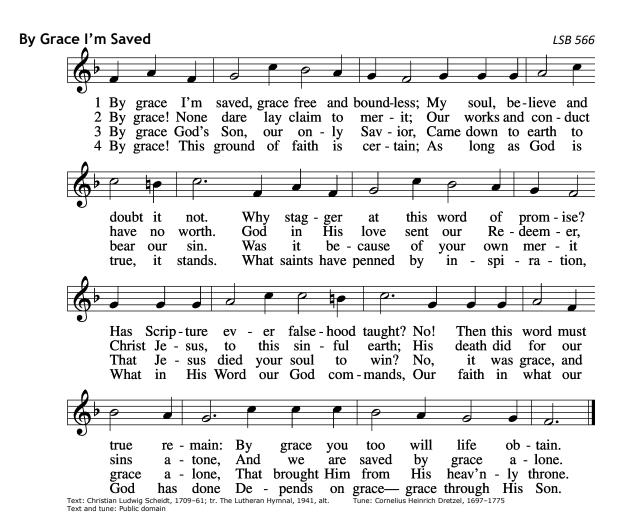
- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the ninth chapter.
- C Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>9</sup>As Jesus passed on from there, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he rose and followed him.

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

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit



#### Sermon

## O Gracious Lord, with Love Draw Near

LSB 599

Tune: When I Survey the Wondrous Cross LSB 425

O gracious Lord, with love draw near To these, Your children gathered here; The Spirit's gift in them renew: The gift of faith that clings to You.

- Sustain the work You have begun In these united to Your Son, For in that pure baptismal flood They have been cleansed by Jesus' blood.
- Deliver them from ev'ry wile, From all that would their hearts beguile, From worldly ways and Satan's lies, That they may not Your Word despise.

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## Confirmation and Reception of New Members

- P Beloved in the Lord, our Lord Jesus Christ said to His apostles: "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." You have been baptized and catechized in the Christian faith according to our Lord's bidding. Jesus said, "Whoever confesses Me before men, I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven. But whoever denies Me before men, I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven." Lift up your hearts, therefore, to the God of all grace and joyfully give answer to what I now ask you in the name of the Lord.
- P Do you this day in the presence of God and of this congregation acknowledge the gifts that God gave you in your Baptism?
- R Yes, I do.
- P Do you renounce the devil?
- R Yes, I renounce him.
- P Do you renounce all his works?
- R Yes, I renounce them.
- P Do you renounce all his ways?
- R Yes, I renounce them.
- P Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty?
- R Yes, I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

- P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord?
- R Yes, I believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
- P Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?
- R Yes, I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
- P Do you hold all the prophetic and apostolic Scriptures to be the inspired Word of God?
- R I do.
- P Do you confess the doctrine of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, drawn from the Scriptures, as you have learned to know it from the Small Catechism, to be faithful and true?
- R I do.
- P Do you intend to hear the Word of God and receive the Lord's Supper faithfully?
- R I do, by the grace of God.
- P Do you intend to live according to the Word of God, and in faith, word, and deed to remain true to God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, even to death?
- R I do, by the grace of God.
- P Do you intend to continue steadfast in this confession and Church and to suffer all, even death, rather than fall away from it?
- R I do, by the grace of God.
- P We rejoice with thankful hearts that you have been baptized and have received the teaching of the Lord. You have confessed the faith and been absolved of your sins. As you continue to hear the Lord's Word and receive His blessed Sacrament, He who has begun a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.
- C Amen.

### **Confirmation Verse and Blessing**

#### Carter D.

2 Corinthians 5:7

For we walk by faith, not by sight.

#### Michael H.

Romans 8:38-39

For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

#### Rachel J.

Psalm 46:5

God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved; God will help her when morning dawns.

#### Charlotte M.

Psalm 28:7

The Lord is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped;

my heart exults,

and with my song I give thanks to him.

#### Ella N.

Romans 8:28

And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose.

#### Gretchen N.

Psalm 146:8

The Lord opens the eyes of the blind.

The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;

the Lord loves the righteous.

## Khourtney O.

Jeremiah 29:11

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.

#### Welcome of New Members

By Transfer of Membership

Joe Livornese (Crosswalk, Columbia, MD)

Ann Mancini (Crosswalk, Columbia, MD)

Deb Miller (First Lutheran, Odenton, MD)

By Affirmation of Faith Karen Eichelman Andrea Wellington

#### **Prayer for Confirmands and New Members**

#### O Gracious Lord, with Love Draw Near

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- Lord, keep them firm in their intent
   To You, Your Word and Sacrament.
   O make them bold, their faith to share
   And make them strong, each cross to bear.
- O Father, grant that by Your grace They may Your will each day embrace; With fruits of faith their lives now bless, Till they at death Your name confess.
- 6 Then robed in white before Your throne, Your holy saints, by You foreknown— Predestined, called, and justified, Shall, crowned in light, be glorified.

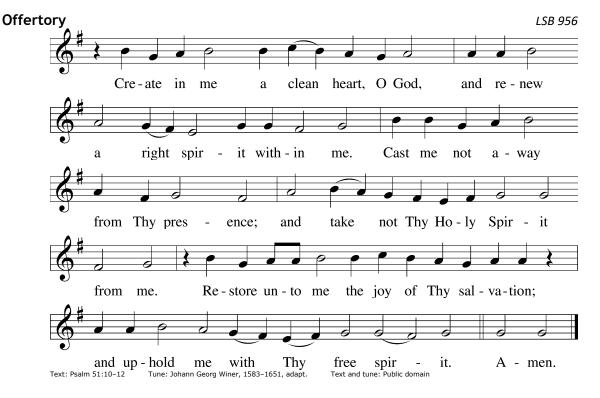
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# Stand Prayer of the Church

## Offering

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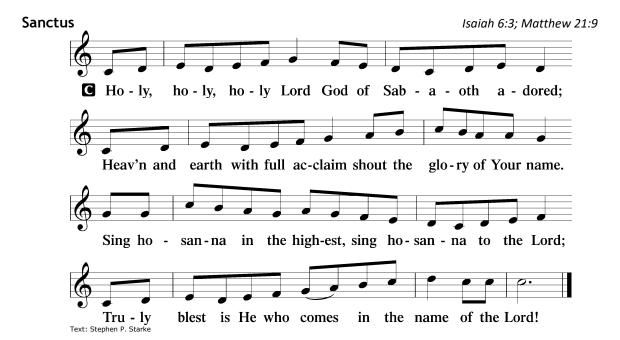
## Service of the Sacrament

### **Preface**

2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all

eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



## Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

# 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.

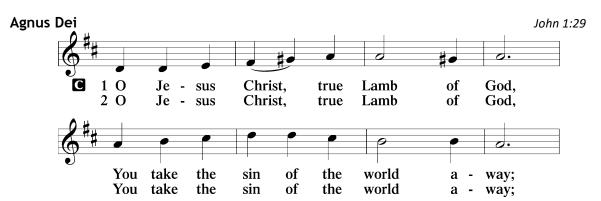
#### The Words of Our Lord

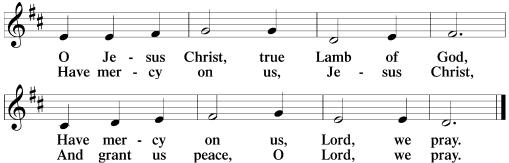
P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My T body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My T 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

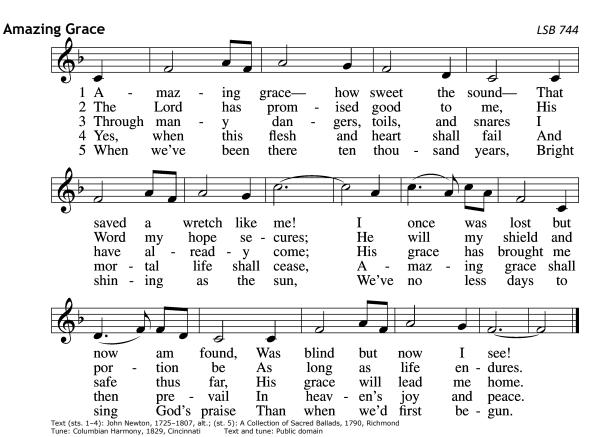
- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.



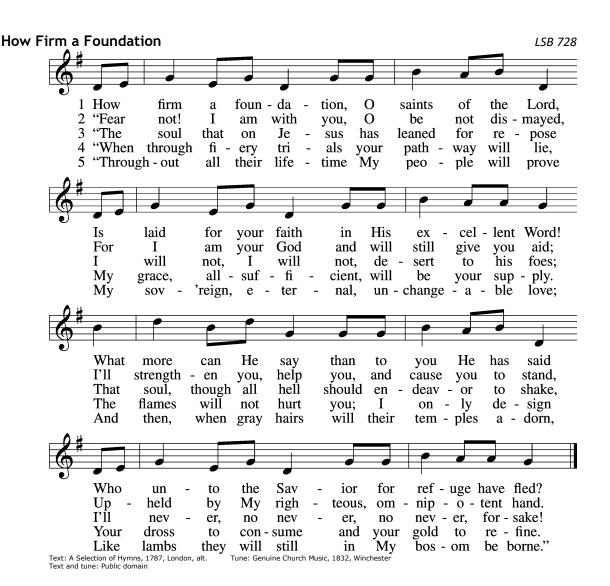




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# Stand Post Communion Blessing

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#### **Post-Communion Collect**

- A Let us pray. . . .
- C Amen.

## Benedicamus

Psalm 103:1

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A Let us bless the Lord.

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C Thanks be to God.

#### **Benediction**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

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The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

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

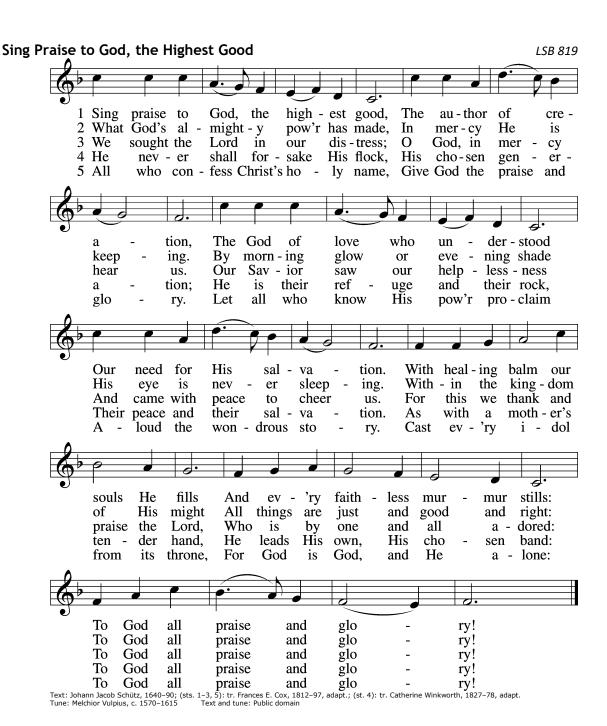
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C Amen.



Postlude: Go, My Children, with My Blessing

Frank Stoldt (b. 1958)

## News & Notes

#### **Altar Flowers**

Flowers on the altar today are donated in honor of the confirmands.

#### Please Notice This



## Confirmand & New Member Reception

Please join us immediately after the service, downstairs in the Fellowship Hall, to congratulate the confirmands and welcome the new members.

#### LCMS National Offering

The purpose and goal of the 2023–2026 LCMS National Offering is to produce meaningful Lutheran resources in other languages so that all may read, hear and speak the Good News of Christ crucified. We will be collecting LCMS National Offerings through July 23<sup>rd</sup> and they will be delivered to the convention by Paul Lubell. Please use the designated envelopes, available in the narthex, for this special offering.

## **Summer Sunday Morning Bible Studies**

Sunday morning Bible class meets in the fellowship hall every Sunday at 8:45 a.m. Each week will feature one stand-alone class. There will be a table set up with children's activities if you would like to attend and yet supervise your child during the Sunday School hour.

June topics and teachers:

June 18<sup>th</sup> Elijah Cameron Jones June 25<sup>th</sup> Mormonism Pastor Alms

## **VBS Prayer**

Please pray during this time as we prepare and lead up to Vacation Bible School. A new prayer will be added each week, this week pray for *our staff*. "Lord, be with our staff as they plan, prepare, and put on our VBS this year. Keep them healthy in body and mind before, during, and after VBS. Allow opportunities for them to share the good news of who you are with kids. Give them creative ideas to reach children, give them peace when times get stressful, and fill their hearts with joy as they faithfully complete your work."

## **Bowie Baysox**

Join St. Paul for an evening of fun at the Bowie Baysox game on Sunday, July 2nd. The game starts at 6:35 pm, so we can have a tail-gate of sandwiches, chips and soft drinks / water starting at 5:30 pm in the Baysox parking lot. Stay for the postgame fireworks too! Tickets are only \$13 each with an additional \$5 for the tail-gate food and drinks. Everyone had a great time last year! Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. Questions, contact Jim Baeder (301-775-0111).

#### Mission Trip

Mission trip to Western Kentucky is set to happen sometime in the fall. Scheduling is still in process. If you are interested in going, please contact Pastor Alms.

## VBS June 26-30, 9 am - 12 pm

Registration NOW at stpaulcatonsville.org.

Serving at St. Paul

	This week	Next week
Cantor	Jim Baeder	Jim Baeder
Reader	Michelle Johnson	JB Jaeger
Usher	Bruce Staudinger	Jim Kyne
Usher	Paul Lubell	David Nguyen
Acolyte	Danny McKay	Josh Unglesbee
Greeter	Doris Schascheck	Robbin Dungey

**Daily Readings:** *Jun 11*: Num 35:9–30, Luke 24:28–53; *Jun 12*: Prov 1:8–33, John 11:17–37; *Jun13*: Prov 3:5–24, John 11:38–57; *Jun 14*: Prov 4:1–27, John 12:1–19; *Jun 15*: Prov 5:1–23, John 12:20–36a; *Jun 16*: Prov 8:1–21, John 12:36b–50; *Jun 17*: Prov 8:22–36, John 13:1–20.



## Prayer List

#### **CHURCH MEMBERS**

Jim & Laverne Kyne (safety as they drive to and from Texas)

Suzanne Middleton (recovering from a fall)

David Nguyen (back issues)

Anna Keener (broken arm)

Joyce Waibel (knee pain)

Debbie Frech (cancer, chemotherapy treatments)

Carolyn Louden (recovering from neck surgery)

John Gay (cancer)

Lindsey Gay (pain management)

Paula Staudinger (in rehab with a broken pelvis)

Bruce Staudinger (strength and grace as Paula's full time caregiver)

Marilyn Haberl (scleroderma)

Ken Waibel, Interim Director of Hope Academy in Virginia Beach, VA. Pray for Ken, for the Congregation of Hope Lutheran, and for their ECC and Kindergarten programs.

#### **SHUT-INS**

Mildred Klein, Betty Blackburn, and Janet Conklin.

## **FAMILY AND FRIENDS**

Tim Brown, friend of Bill Oldhouser (in hospice care) 6/11

Theo & Otto, twin infant relatives of the Kyne's (hospitalized with pneumonia, on respirators) 7/11

Walt O'Reilly, husband of Renata (awaiting test results) 6/4

Mathew Reynolds, grandson of the Joyce and Ken Waibel (hernia surgery on June 7) 6/4

Mike Massie, friend of JB Jaeger (experimental lung cancer surgery) 5/28

Bill Schrott, friend of the Kyne's (shoulder operation recovery) 5/21

Ryan Schrott, grandson of Bill, friend of the Kyne's (bone cancer) 5/21

Betty Sanford, neighbor of the Waibel's (physical therapy to address pain and stress) 5/7

Prayer is a great gift and privilege for Christians. To add people to the prayer list printed in the bulletin, please email pastoralms@stpaulcatonsville.org or dana.stigdon@splscatonsville.org or call the church office at 410-747-1897. Family and friends will automatically be removed after one month. If you want your request to stay on for another month, just contact the office.

