

+ Sixth Sunday after Pentecost +

June 30, Year of our Lord 2024 | DS3

+ Confession and Absolution +



The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

Matthew 28:19b; 18:20

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

C Amen.

Exhortation

Hebrews 10:22; Psalm 124:8; Psalm 32:5

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Confession of Sins

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Absolution

[John 20:19–23]

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

+ Service of the Word +

Introit

Psalm 121:5–8; antiphon: vv. 1–2



P I lift up my eyes | to the hills.*
From where does my | help come?

C **My help comes | from the LORD,***
who made | heaven and earth.
The LORD is your | keeper;*
the LORD is your shade on your | right hand.
The sun shall not strike | you by day,*
nor the | moon by night.
The LORD will keep you from all | evil;*
he will | keep your life.
The LORD will keep your going out and your | coming in*
from this time forth and for- | evermore.
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.
I lift up my eyes | to the hills.*
From where does my | help come?
My help comes | from the LORD,*
who made | heaven and earth.

Kyrie (hymnal pg. 186 for music)

Mark 10:47

C (sung) **Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

Gloria in Excelsis (hymnal pg. 187-189 for music)

Lk 2:14, Jn 1:29

P (sung) Glory be to God on high:
C **and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.**
We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.
 Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.
 For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.
 Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,
 art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you. **C** And with thy spir - it.

P Let us pray: Heavenly Father, during His earthly ministry Your Son Jesus healed the sick and raised the dead. By the healing medicine of the Word and Sacraments pour into our hearts such love toward You that we may live eternally; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C A - men.

Old Testament Reading

Lamentations 3:22–33

The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. “The LORD is my portion,” says my soul, “therefore I will hope in him.” The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul who seeks him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD. It is good for a man that he bear the yoke in his youth. Let him sit alone in silence when it is laid on him; let him put his mouth in the dust—there may yet be hope; let him give his cheek to the one who strikes, and let him be filled with insults. For the Lord will not cast off forever, but, though he cause grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; for he does not willingly afflict or grieve the children of men.

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

Gradual

Romans 11:33, 36

C Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!
How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!
For from him and through him and to him are all things.
To him be glory forever. Amen.

Epistle

2 Corinthians 8:1–9, 13–15

We want you to know, brothers, about the grace of God that has been given among the churches of Macedonia, for in a severe test of affliction, their abundance of joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. For they gave according to their means, as I can testify, and beyond their means, of their own free will, begging us earnestly for the favor of taking part in the relief of the saints— and this, not as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then by the will of God to us. Accordingly, we urged Titus that as he had started, so he should complete among you this act of grace. But as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all earnestness, and in our love for you—see that you excel in this act of grace also.

I say this not as a command, but to prove by the earnestness of others that your love also is genuine. For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich. . . .

I do not mean that others should be eased and you burdened, but that as a matter of fairness your abundance at the present time should supply their need, so that their abundance may supply your need, that there may be fairness. As it is written, “Whoever gathered much had nothing left over, and whoever gathered little had no lack.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Verse of the Day

Lamentations 3:25

P Alleluia. The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul who seeks him. Alleluia.

Triple Alleluia

C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Mark 5:21–43

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the fifth chapter.

Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics 'Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.' are written below the treble staff.

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered about him, and he was beside the sea. Then came one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jairus by name, and seeing him, he fell at his feet and implored him earnestly, saying, “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.” And he went with him.

And a great crowd followed him and thronged about him. And there was a woman who had had a discharge of blood for twelve years, and who had suffered much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was no better but rather grew worse. She had heard the reports about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his garment. For she said, “If I touch even his garments, I will be made well.” And immediately the flow of blood dried up, and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. And Jesus, perceiving in himself that power had gone out from him, immediately turned about in the crowd and said, “Who touched my garments?” And his disciples said to him, “You see the crowd pressing around you, and yet you say, ‘Who touched me?’” And he looked around to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling and fell down before him and told him the whole truth. And he said to her, “Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.”

While he was still speaking, there came from the ruler’s house some who said, “Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the Teacher any further?” But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the ruler of the synagogue, “Do not fear, only believe.” And he allowed no one to follow him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. They came to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, and Jesus saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. And when he had entered, he said to them, “Why are you making a commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but sleeping.” And they laughed at him. But 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. Taking her by the hand he said to her, “Talitha cumi,”



which means, “Little girl, I say to you, arise.” And immediately the girl got up and began walking (for she was twelve years of age), and they were immediately overcome with amazement. And he strictly charged them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

C 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.

Hymn of the Day: 552 O Christ, Who Shared Our Mortal Life

1 O Christ, who shared our mor - tal life And
 2 A rul - er proud but bent by grief Knelt
 3 You pressed through crowds to reach the child Whose
 4 Death's pow - er holds us still in thrall And



end - ed death's long reign, Who healed the sick and
 down be - fore Your feet: "My pre - cious daugh - ter's
 limbs with death grew cold. "She is not dead; she
 bears us toward the tomb. Death's dark - 'ning cloud hangs



raised the dead And bore our grief and pain: We
 gripped by death! Come now and death de - feat!" A
 on - ly sleeps!" The weep - ing folk You told. And
 like a pall That threat - ens earth with doom. But



know our years on earth are few, That death is
 mul - ti - tude had gath - ered round To hear the
 then You took her hand and called, "My child, I
 You have bro - ken death's em - brace And torn a -



al - ways near. Come now to us, O
 truth You taught, But, leav - ing them, You
 bid you rise!" She rose! And all stood
 way its sting. Re - store to life our



Lord of Life; Bring hope that con - quers fear!
 turned to help A fa - ther sore dis - traught.
 round You, Lord, With awed and won - d'ring eyes!
 mor - tal race! Raise us, O Ris - en King!

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+ Sermon +

Little Girl, I Say to You, Arise

Offertory (hymnal pg. 192-193 for music)

Psalm 51:10–12

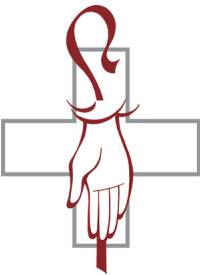
☐ (sung) **Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.**

Rite of Blessing and Thanksgiving for our called church worker and Director of Christian Education, Shelli Haynes (*annual DCE Appreciation Day in month of June as encouraged by our Synod*)

Announcement of Offering and Greetings of Peace

The people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).

+ Prayer +



World: Praying for a quick end to the war between modern-day **Israel** and the **Hamas**. For an end of the conflict between **Ukraine** and **Russia**.

Vocation: For **veterans and our military** (including **Carter Felt, Casey Lawson, Tyler Smith** and **William Smolter**). For **those serving in hospitals and homeless shelters**. For **teachers** in our community schools. For our circuit's seminary students: **Aaron Wade, Sam Bohnet, Vicar Daniel Bueckman**, and **Vicar Alex Ogden**. For those expecting children including **Jackson and Bri Blankenbeckler** and **Cole & Tamia Smith**. For the recently engaged including **Sam Bohnet to Kate Roberts** and **Turner Gough to Mandy Haynes**. For **Daniel and Monica Hendricks** rejoicing in the birth of **Lily** 4/24. **Michael and children** (Flaska and Stolarcysk family) in Michigan. Birth of **Shepherd** (born to Madeline) the Nunninks' family. For **Tony & Rhonda** (Seth Pierce's cousin) healthy birth of a grandbaby boy.

Loss and Mourning: Family of **Bill Millsaps** (Cathy Wacker's father in Kansas) preparing to enter or having entered into the Church Triumphant. Family of **Victor Sebahar** of Chicago (friend of Fred Hansen) who recently passed due to cancer. Family of **Cheri Phillips** (Chuck Pettyjohn's sister in Missouri who passed away 5/25). Family of **Ruth** (Rachel Ernst's beloved mother) who passed away suddenly due to a heart attack. Family of **Aunt Beverly** (Becky Hamby's Aunt) who passed away. Family of **Julie Bullock** (Tom Wittkopp's sister) who passed away. Family of **Corey Baerns** (Marleen's son, Jeff's brother) who was fatally shot on 4/26. For **Lila Reuer** (Al's wife; Rhonda Heckman's mom) who went to be with the Lord of Life on 3/26. For **Terry Gift** (Rick Gift's father) who entered the Church Triumphant. Family of **Russ Smolter** (William's father) who passed away 3/1. Family of **Kathleen Lane** who passed away on 2/27. Family of *Barbara Moyer's grand-children's mother* who passed away. Family of **Jeff Ratliff** (Mark's younger brother) who passed away 2/1. Family of **Myrna Frazier** who passed away on 1/27.

Health: For **Dana** (Ed & Sandy's) niece recovering from tongue and throat cancer surgery. For **Bill Galamore** health (recently hospitalized). For **Bradley Happel** (Becky Hamby's brother) open heart surgery/quadruple bypass recovery. For **Sharon Yoder** released back to Maryville for more stroke rehab and therapy. For **Sandy Bagley** (health and mobility). Bill & Diane's son **Luke Miller** (a Lutheran pastor in the WEL's synod) treatment after (first) onset of seizures. For **June Latham** (Phyllis Bembas' sister) stroke and vision recovery. For **Pastor Ed Maanum** kidney acceptance and for **Jen Maanum** who donated a kidney. For **Nancy** (Jim Vesper's mother) in finals weeks or days in hospice care. For **Fred Goddard** (nephew of Mary Ellen Brown) lung cancer treatment. For niece of Mary Ellen with a massive blood clot in her leg. For **Herman** her brother recovering from stent procedure. For **Steve Greene** (friend of Jim Vesper) dealing with multiple cancers. For **Gary Kubin** experiencing debilitating back and leg pain and for **Jessie** his niece recovering from knee surgery. For **Joan Large** stroke recovery (now home). For **Linda Davis** for healing from anemia related procedure. For **Mary** (Ed & Sandy Bagley's daughter) health. For **Andrew** (son of a friend of Laura Bisconte) treatment for a mass in the base of his brain. For **another friend** of Laura Bisconte who needs good news concerning her heart condition. For **Larry & Cathy Wacker's daughter** and **son-in-law's** health and cancer treatments. For **Carol** (Alex Hick's aunt) recent diagnosis of frontal lobe dementia. For **Tim Smith** heart health. For **Chuck Pettyjohn** (health). For **Jane** (Steve Kaiser's sister) suffering severe back pain. For **Faith** (Jerry and Jennifer Kropp's daughter) health. For **Tanner** speedy recovery (injured in a work accident), Tatum Smolter's fiance. For **Tom Williams** lung cancer spot treatments. For **Frank Davis** (Leah Mohr's father) recovering from a heart procedure. For **Brad** (Phil & Carol Barnett's son) lung blood clots treatment. For **Billye Raye Smith** to build back immunity after multiple myeloma treatments. For **Janeen Meier** healing for physical and mental health (Maureen Roberts' sister and Pastor Roberts' Aunt). For **Pete Gay** (Catherine Boute's brother-in-law) terminal cancer. For **Marty Smith** (Tyler [and Megan] Smith's father) rapidly advancing cancer treatment. For **Victor Sebahar** (friend of Fred Hansen), cancer in brain, lungs, and bone. For **Carol Ehrens** diagnosed with Thyroid cancer (slow growing). **Ed McGillick** persistent dizziness caused by abnormal blood pressure fluctuations. **Debbie Johnston** kidney health. **Bob McDermott** dealing with Parkinson's symptoms. **Pastor Neil Vanderbush** at Immanuel, Memphis, recurrent multiple myeloma treatment. For **Alan Stremsterfer's mother** health issues. For **Lisa Stremsterfer's father** health and stability. **Aurora Stevens** back and shoulder pain treatments. For **Barbara Moyers** health. For **Kathy Bigger** (friend of Donna Wall) pancreatic cancer. Andrew Hebar's **Aunt Kara** (health).

Birthdays: Linda D 6/29, Bill Mil. 6/29, Ruth K 6/30, Kimberly S 7/1, Mavis J 7/8, Tatum S 7/8, Larry B 7/9, Donna W 7/12, Sonja R 7/13

Anniversaries: Chris & Katie F 7/1, Jerry & Jennifer K 7/1, Andrew & Jennifer H 7/3, Ed & Barbara McG 7/11

Benediction for those worshipping on the livestream.

+ Service of the Sacrament +

A Word to Our Guests and Visitors about Communion at Praise

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation 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 and resurrection until He comes. Scripture warns that those who come forward to eat and drink our Lord's Body and Blood in an unworthy manner do so to their great spiritual harm. The Lord's Supper is also a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar. Therefore, any who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet to desire to receive the Sacrament (Communion), are encouraged to seek guidance from the pastor.



Preface

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

P (sung) The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them up un - to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



C It is meet and right so to do.

Proper Preface (Abbreviated)

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus (hymnal pg. 195 for music)

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9

C (sung) **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

Lord's Prayer

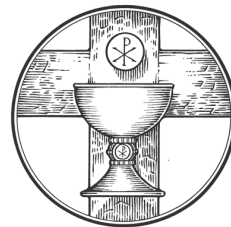
Matthew 6:9–13

C **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

Mt 26:26-30; Mk 14:22-26; Lk 22:14-23; 1 Cor 11:23-25.

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 ✝ 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 ✝ 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

John 20:19

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.



C A - men.

Agnus Dei (hymnal pg. 198 for music)

John 1:29

C (sung) **O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen**

Distribution



Please see our pastor for details about baptism, instruction, and vow of confirmation of our church's teachings prior to taking the Lord's Supper (Communion) at Praise.

Distribution Hymn: 625 Lord Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread (see hymnal)

Distribution Hymn: 922 Go, My Children, with My Blessing

Distribution Hymn: 818 In Thee Is Gladness

Distribution Hymn: 390 Let Us All with Gladsome Voice

Nunc Dimittis (hymnal pg. 199 - 200 for music)

Luke 2:29–32

☐ (sung) **Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

Thanksgiving

Psalm 107:1

A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

Post-Communion Collect

☐ Let us pray. 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.

C A - men.

Salutation

2 Timothy 4:22

P (sung) The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spir - it.

Benedicamus

Psalm 103:1

A Bless we the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

Numbers 6:24–26

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
 The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.

C A-men, a-men, a - men.

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 Choir Director: Laura Bisconte, Choir Pianist: Susan Johnson

Moved? Changed your email address? Changed cell phone or home phone? Please let the church office know.

Two Large Print Hymnals are available. Please ask those who are helping as ushers to locate a large print hymnal for you.

Our address: 315 Southdowne Dr., Maryville, TN 37801.



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Building Fund	2023 Receipts	2024 Receipts	Total Receipts
Actual	\$345,752	\$124,904	\$1,096,456
Pledged	\$277,877	\$179,106	\$1,065,270
Remaining	-\$67,875	\$54,202	-\$31,186

Build Project total cost estimate: ~ 2.8 million (approximately 38% funded).

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The Altar Guild kindly suggests that women who use the common cup to please remove lipstick prior to communing. The linens require hand scrubbing to remove lipstick and it is breaking down the fabric. Thank you.

Ladies Autumn Retreat (ages 18 yrs. and up) Sign-up in Narthex by Mon, July 1. We are trying to get a head count to make reservations. The theme for this year's (second annual) retreat is: *The Parodical Son*. The retreat will be: Fri, Oct 4, beginning at 4 p.m. and will continue through Sun, Oct 6. We'll depart at 10 a.m. to return to the Divine Service at Praise. Location: Bear Lodge at Tuckaleechee Retreat Center, Townsend. Either stay two nights at the cabine (Fri-Sat) or attend on Saturday daytime only. Estimated cost: \$150. The cost will decrease as more people sign up. We so enjoyed last year's retreat! Sign-up in the narthex today (deadline: Mon, July 1).

Youth and Families

Summer Sunday School

Please join us for the summer to learn about all the different Heros in the bible. Meet for opening in the new nursery (some students may be directed to classrooms from there). We welcome children ages 2 years old up to those entering 5th grade. For those entering 6th grade through high school, please join Shelli Haynes for bible study (Book of Exodus)!

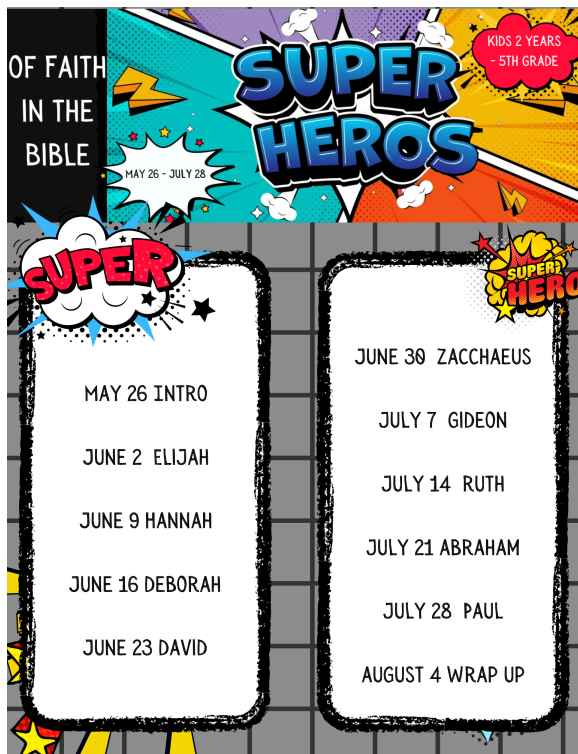
Middle and High School Youth Groups on Wednesdays:

Middle School 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Highschool 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Campfirmation Week for middleschoolers, high school, and adult leaders:

NEXT SUNDAY, July 7-13 at Camp Linn Haven, NC (30 people from Praise are going this year)



This Week at Praise

Youth Group Wednesday 6:00 p.m. Middle School and 7:00 p.m. High School

Choir Rehearsal on break until August.

Men's Bible Study Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Social Hall (Romans 11 and God's Election as confessed in the Formula of Concord)

Ladies Bible Study not meeting July 4, resumes July 11 in Social Hall

Catechesis at Praise



Adult Catechesis

Tuesday evening, July 2 at 7:00 p.m. (in the Social Hall)

Topic: *The Way of The Lord's Supper, part 1*

[Note for following weeks: no class on Tues, July 9, resumes July 16]

TODAY and THIS WEEK (continued)

DCE Appreciation Day (see info below) on TODAY at 10:00 a.m. in the Social Hall and Rite of Blessing in the Divine Services:

June 30th

Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, 24 knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward. You are serving the Lord Christ.

COME CELEBRATE DCE MINISTRY AS WELL AS OUR OWN DCE, SHELLI HAYNES, IN BETWEEN SERVICES SUNDAY OVER BREAKFAST AND SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Wedding Shower Invite (coordinated by the Ladies of Praise) for **Kate Roberts** and **Sam Bohnet** THIS SATURDAY, Jul 6, at 11:30 a.m. in the Social Hall. Please come for a luncheon and shower of gifts. Registered at www.theknot.com/bohnetandroberts.

RSVP by TOMORROW July 1 to Amy Mohr (865) 803-3445

LATER this SUMMER

Wedding Invite: Rev. Derek and Gretchen Roberts invite you to celebrate their daughter's wedding, Kate Roberts to Samuel Bohnet, on August 17th, 2024 at 3 o'clock in the afternoon at Praise Lutheran Church. Reception to follow.

RSVP by July 20th at www.theknot.com/bohnetandroberts