

**THE GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH  
MONROEVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA**

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*the Fourth  
Sunday after  
Pentecost*

*Sunday, June 21, 2026*

*WOV Setting Four*

**HANDBELL PRELUDE**

Father, I Adore You – arr. Fred Bock

**WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION**

**\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*The assembly stands and faces the baptismal font.  
All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is  
marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,  
whose compassion endures forever.  
**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin to God.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Compassionate God,  
**we confess to you all our sins.**  
**Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free  
ourselves.**  
**In your mercy, call us back to you.**  
**Your yoke is easy and your burden is light.**  
**Restore us to dwell in your peace.**  
**In Christ's name we pray,**  
**Amen.**

Jesus says, "Come to me,  
all you who are weary  
and are carrying heavy burdens,  
and I will give you rest."

In the name of God,  
Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit,  
your sins are forgiven.  
Rest in God's love.

**Amen.**

**\*GATHERING SONG**

WOV # 719 – God Is Here!

**\*GREETING**

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

**\*KYRIE**

WOV p.12

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

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

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.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

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

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.  
**Amen**

## \*CANTICLE OF PRAISE

WOV p.14

### *REFRAIN:*

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father: We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. *Refrain*

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy, have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. *Refrain*

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen. *Refrain*

## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Celebrate insert

The Lord be with you.  
And also with you.  
Let us pray.

## FIRST READING

Celebrate insert

*After the reading,*

Word of God, word of life.  
Thanks be to God.

## PSALM

Celebrate insert

## SECOND READING

Celebrate insert

*After the reading,*

Word of God, word of life.  
Thanks be to God.

## \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

WOV p.17

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

## \*GOSPEL

Celebrate insert

*The gospel is announced.*

The Holy Gospel according to \_\_\_\_\_.  
Glory to you, O Lord.

*After the reading,*

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

## SERMON

*Silence for reflection may follow.*

## \*HYMN OF THE DAY

WOV # 698 – We Were Baptized in Christ Jesus

## \*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.

## **\*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Celebrate insert

*After each petition,*

God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

## **\*PEACE**

*The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.*

The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.*

## **OFFERING AND ANTHEM**

*The Offering is received as the Lord's table is prepared.*

## **\*PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS**

WOF p. 20

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord,  
fill to the brim our cup of blessing.  
Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown,  
that we may be fed, we may be fed with the bread  
of life.  
Gather the hopes and the dreams of all;  
unite them with the prayers we offer now.  
Grace our table with your presence,  
and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

## **\*OFFERING PRAYER**

Jesus, Bread of life,  
you have set this table with your very self,  
and called us to the feast of plenty.  
Gather what has been sown among us,  
and strengthen us in this meal.  
Make us to be what we receive here,  
your body for the life of the world.  
**Amen.**

## **\*DIALOGUE**

WOF p.21

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## **\*PREFACE**

It is indeed right ...  
...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## **\*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**

WOF p.22

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might:  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed, blessed is he who comes in the name of  
the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

## **\*THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

### **\*LORD'S PRAYER**

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.

## **\*COMMUNION SONG**

WOV p.25

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us, have mercy on us, have mercy.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us, have mercy on us, have mercy.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world  
grant us peace.**

## **COMMUNION**

*As the ministers give the bread and cup to each  
communicant, they say these words:*

The body of Christ, given for you.  
The blood of Christ, shed for you.

*Each person may respond: Amen.*

## **COMMUNION MUSIC**

WOV # 706 – Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup

WOV # 701 – What Feast of Love

## **\*BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION**

The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus  
Christ keep you in his grace.  
**Amen.**

## **\*SONG AFTER COMMUNION**

WOV p.26

**Thankful hearts and voices raise;  
tell everyone what God has done.  
Let all who seek the Lord rejoice,  
rejoice and bear Christ's holy name.  
Send us, O God, with your promises,  
and lead us forth in joy  
with shouts of thanksgiving.  
Alleluia, alleluia.**

## **\*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Compassionate God, through the gifts of bread and  
wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your  
love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal,  
may share your love freely, as you have shared with  
us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the  
Spirit nourishing us now and forever.  
**Amen.**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **\*BLESSING**

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, ✚ one God,  
bless, heal, and hold you today and always.  
**Amen.**

### **\*SENDING SONG**

WOV # 721 – Go, My Children, with My Blessing

### **\*DISMISSAL**

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!  
**Thanks be to God.**

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## Announcements

*June 21, 2026*

### *News and Notices*

**Celebration Announcement**-We are delighted to share that **Caden Brush**, who has been on our prayer list for the past couple of years, has completed his treatments and will joyfully “Ring the Bell” on August 13. Thank you to everyone who has faithfully lifted him in prayer throughout this journey.

**July 5<sup>th</sup> Service Plans**-On Sunday, July 5, we will mark the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence with a service that both celebrates and reflects honestly on our nation's story. The ELCA has developed special worship resources for this occasion, and we will be using them - including a eucharistic prayer, confession, and hymns that honor the goodness of this land while considering our national life in the light of our Christian faith. As people whose deepest citizenship is in heaven, we are freed to love this country with clear eyes - grateful for its gifts, honest about its failures, and committed to work toward the ideals our nation at its best has embraced: the dignity and liberty of each human being, and justice which upholds the rights of every neighbor. Our Chancel Choir and Handbell Choir will offer thoughtful and inspiring musical selections in what promises to be a meaningful morning of worship. We hope you will join us - and consider bringing family and friends!

### **Interested in church items not moving with us? -**

As we continue the efforts to determine what items – big and small – will be moving with us the Garden City location, we have heard from some members who are interested in repurposing some of our things in their own homes or other places. If you are interested in any items; including but not limited to pews, padded chairs, plastic chairs, Bibles, hymnals, larger décor, please submit your request in writing to Donna Wenger in the church office. Donna will log all requests including the date received. As items become available (meaning a decision has been made not to move it with us and the item(s) haven't been donated to another church), they will then be distributed on a first come, first served basis.

**And on that note**-We have a ping pong table available for free for any interested member.

## *Music*

**Director of Music-** Mary K. Walley

- All hymns are from WOV his week.

## *Serving You Today*

### **Altar Guild**

Mary Duggan

Marilyn Winters

### **Assisting Minister**

Leigh Pogue

### **Ushers**

Patty and Joe Cummings

## *Calendar*

SUNDAY, 6/21 **DONUT SUNDAY**

- 10:30 am- Worship, Sanctuary

MONDAY, 6/22

- 3 pm-GC Field Trip to TGSLC

TUESDAY, 6/23

- 1:30 pm-Bible Study, LR

WEDNESDAY, 6/24

- 4 pm-Bell Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, 6/25

- 6:30 pm-Outside Group, LR

FRIDAY, 6/26

SATURDAY, 6/27

SUNDAY, 6/28

- 10:30 am-Worship, Sanctuary

# *Prayer Concerns*

## **New Prayer Concerns**

Family and friends of Jackie Van Tassel

## **Thanks and Praise**

Caden Brush

Sullivan Michael Shiel and his parents, Jessica and Dylan

## **Ongoing Prayer Concerns**

The family of Mia Lyons

Si Winters

Mark

Steve B. and family

Leo Engleka

The marriage of Amanda Lindgren and Steve Rapone

Delaney Miller

Fred Wiesner

Tricia

Ron

Lori Cain

Rick Fisher

Kathy M.

Colton

Chris Warden

Sue Lyons

Rhonda Erkye

Donna Shubert

Baby Miles

Elijah

Ralph Beatty

Al

R. Rose

Shirah Goldstein

Debbie Lendo Finke

Jan B.

Jennifer Tirko

Kerry Luehring

Michelle DePaulo

Mary Ross

## **Military Service**

Nathan Ridge-deployed

Gracie Ridge-deployed to Israel

**Current Prayer List**-A current prayer list can be found by going to:

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