

Worship Guide – June 27
Healing Sunday
9:30 AM Outdoor Worship

+ WE GATHER BEFORE GOD +

WELCOME

PRELUDE O Lord, I Am Not Worthy – setting by Anthony Giamanco

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CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalm 30)

Sing praises to God, all you faithful ones

God hears us in our fear and our sorrow

Where there was no way

God leads us in a new way

Where there was no mercy

God surprises us with fresh mercy

Where there was weeping

God invites us to step into a new dance.

OPENING HYMN ELW 470 Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

Draw us in the Spirit's tether, for when humbly in Your Name
Two or three are met together, You are in the midst of them.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Touch we now Your garment's hem.

All our meals and all our living make as sacraments of You,
That by caring, helping, giving, we may be disciples true.
Alleluia! Alleluia! We will serve with faith anew.

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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.

HYMN OF PRAISE ELW 414 Holy God, we praise Your Name

Holy God, we praise Your Name; Lord of all, we bow before You.
All on earth Your scepter claim, all in heav'n above adore You.
Infinite Your vast domain, everlasting is Your reign.

Hark! The glad celestial hymn angel choirs above are raising;
Cherubim and seraphim, in unceasing chorus praising,
Fill the heav'ns with sweet accord: "Holy, holy, holy Lord!"

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PRAYER

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.**

+ WE HEAR GOD'S WORD +

FIRST READING: Lamentations 3:22-33

The book of Lamentations is one of our most important sources of information about the fall of Jerusalem to the Babylonians in 587 BCE. Though the people admit that God's judgment was just, today's reading declares a fervent trust that God will not leave them forever.

²²The 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.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ELW 174 Celtic Alleluia
Song leader sings once. Congregation repeats.



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GOSPEL: Mark 5:21-43

Jairus, a respected leader, begs Jesus to heal his daughter. A woman with a hemorrhage was considered ritually unclean and treated as an outcast. Both Jairus and the unnamed woman come to Jesus in faith, believing in his power to heal and bring life out of death.

²¹When 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, 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!”⁴² And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement.⁴³ He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

SERMON

LITANY FOR HEALING & FORGIVENESS

Lord of our hearts, God of our lives, hear our prayers:
the sighs, the cries, the joys of our deepest thoughts.

**We share all our thoughts with you, O God,
knowing that you hear and answer us,
providing us with what is best.
Come, O God, and hear us now.**

Lord of all, source of health and healing,
we come to you with worries, concerns, fears, wrongs, and sins
seeking your compassion,
turning over to you all that separates us from you,
God of our hectic busyness and petty obsessions,
God of our secrets and our defeats.
Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.
Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.
Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.
**I come to you flawed and unclean, O God.
Wash me and make me whole.
Take all the darkness, the unrighteousness,
the sinfulness I bring to you and forgive me.**

(Silence)

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and put a new and right spirit within me.
**Do not cast me away from your presence,
and do not take your holy spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and sustain in me a willing spirit.**

HYMN OF THE DAY ELW 617 We Come to You for Healing, Lord

During the singing of the hymn of the day, you are invited to come forward to receive a healing prayer and anointing with oil. The kneeling bench will be available if you wish to kneel, or you may stand beside it to receive the anointing.

We come to you for healing, Lord,
of body, mind, and soul,
and pray that by your Spirit's touch
we may again be whole.

As once you walked through ancient streets
and reached toward those in pain,
come, risen Christ, among us still
with pow'r to heal again.

You touch us through physicians' skills,
through nurses' gifts of care,
and through the love of faithful friends
who lift our lives in prayer.

When nights are long with wakefulness,
through days when strength runs low,
grant us your gift of patience, Lord,
your calming peace to know.

We come to you, O loving Lord,
in our distress and pain,
in trust that through our nights and days
your grace will heal, sustain.

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OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING May we praise You – John Foley, S.J.
Kevin Schanely, tenor

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OFFERING PRAYER

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 THE PEOPLE

Eternal God,
we cry out to you.

Into your hands, today and forever, we commit for all whom we pray, trusting in the grace made known to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

As Jesus taught us, we are bold 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.

+ WE ARE SENT OUT TO SERVE +

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

May the God of love and grace keep you safe.
May the God of comfort and healing hold you close.
May the God of peace and joy sing in your heart.
Amen.

SENDING HYMN ELW 761 Evening and Morning

Evening and morning, sunset and dawning,
Wealth, peace, and gladness, comfort in sadness:
These are Your works, rich in glory divine!
Times without number, awake or in slumber,
Your eye observes us, from danger preserves us,
Causing Your mercy upon us to shine.

To God in heaven all praise be given!
O God, we offer and gladly proffer
Gifts from Your hand; these alone You will prize:
Hearts that receive You and faith to believe You;
Hymns that adore You are precious before You
And to Your throne like sweet incense arise.

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Presto in F Major – G.F. Handel, arr. David N. Johnson

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PRAYER LIST

Please continue to keep the following people connected to our congregation in your prayers: Alex Kunkel, Bob Moran, Betsy Rodger, Robin Seasock, Paige Seasock, Peyton Seasock, Nancy Terpoilli, Brian Allebach, Glen Van Dyke, Charles Krupp, Jean Leister, Kenny Nace, Tom Ciesielka, Ann Brown Hager, Alyssa Gegan, David Mounts, Ann Lewis, Carolyn Iris, Melissa Snyder, Sandy Umstead, Theresa Hasson, Renaud Fix, Theresa Gross, Lynda Lysoby, David and Linda Kratzer, Leah Crater, Leanne Kratzer, Steve Keyser, Terry Gable, Bev Fretz, Jim McNally and Richard Mariner.

Mark your calendar

Mon. 6/28	7:30pm Executive Committee Meeting
Sat 7/3	9-11am Open Link Food Collection
Sun. 7/4	9:30am Outdoor Worship (and available on zoom)

Food Collection for Open Link

Saturday, July 3rd 9-11am at the back entrance to the church.

Order your Hoagies by Thursday, July 8th

Italian \$7 Turkey \$8

Can be ordered with or without onions and banana peppers

To order your July hoagie please contact Elaine Keller by phone (215.262.5366) or email elaineakeller@comcast.net before July 8 for a July 15th pick up. If you have any questions about the hoagies or our trips, please contact Elaine.

There is a sign up genius in the Weekly Email for those who can help assemble hoagies.

The Open Link is seeking volunteers to assist with packing non-perishable items for its Sumer Kid's meal Program that will run June 14th through August 20th. Shifts are available on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 1:30-3:30 each week for the duration of the program. Contact Julie Booth, TOL Volunteer Coordinator, for more information and to sign up for a shift or two! volunteers@theopenlink.org Thank you!

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE

Worship Attendance 6/20/2021 – In Person 42, Zoom - 32 households		
Giving Amounts	Total received between 6/6-19/2021	Amount Needed between 6/6-19/2021
General Fund	\$8,988.60	\$11,216
Building Fund	\$566.76	
<i>Weekly average is based on the 2021 budget. A weekly building fund amount needed is no longer reported as the building fund has been used for the mortgage, which has been paid off. All other building expenses are included in General Fund budget and giving. The above numbers include electronic giving. Mint duty is being done every other week for the time being.</i>		
Capital Campaign Activity Update		
Capital Campaign Contributions Pledged		\$ 260,000.00
Capital Campaign Contributions received between 6/6-19/2021		\$115
Capital Campaign Contributions received to date		\$ 250,664.65

NEW Dates Available through Labor Day!

Meal Train for Brian & Jennifer Allebach



A meal train, to provide a meal on Saturdays, has been started. To access the meal train sign-up, see what dates are available and find out all the pertinent information, see the weekly email or contact the church office.

Brian also loves to receive cards - so feel free to drop one in the mail to their home address, which is: Brian Allebach, 1096 Soffa Road, East Greenville, PA 18041.

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