

May 8, 2022
Fourth Sunday of Easter

+ WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD +

WELCOME

PRELUDE Brother James' Air (*The Lord's my Shepherd*) - M. Searle Wright

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LIGHTING OF THE TRINITY CANDLE

St. John's is a community that is

Ignited by Spirit, Growing in Love!

We begin our worship in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

Amen

CALL TO WORSHIP

I AM the good shepherd

the one who tends us,

guides us into pastures,

who recognizes the sounds of our names.

I AM the good shepherd

the one who bends to heal us

travels through the deepest valleys with us

who give up everything for us all.

I AM the good shepherd

the one whose rod and staff comfort us

whose strength and love holds us

whose cup of love runneth over.

I AM the good shepherd

and we will dwell

in the house of the Lord

forever

We gather here in this place, as God's beloved people, surrounded by God's love.

Let us worship God!

OPENING HYMN ELW 362 At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing vs. 1, 6, 7
(*sung to the tune of ELW 310*)

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, first born of the dead and wellspring of eternal life,
the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE ELW 502 The King of Love My Shepherd Is – vs 1, 3, 6

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God of peace, you brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep. By the blood of your eternal covenant, make us complete in everything good that we may do your will, and work among us all that is well-pleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

+ WE HEAR GOD’S WORD +

FIRST READING: Acts 9:36-43

At the conclusion of the reading:

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (same as last week)

GOSPEL READING: John 10:22-30

At the beginning of the reading:

The holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

At the conclusion of the reading:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY ELW 813 Faith of Our Fathers

NICENE CREED

Together with people of every time and place, we join our voices in declaring our faith with the words of the creed:

We believe in one God,

**the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

**the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,**

**of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

For us and for our salvation

**he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven**

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING My Shepherd Will Supply My Need
Early American tune, setting by Virgil Thompson
Meghan Carlin, soprano

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OFFERTORY ELW 789 Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

Savior, like a shepherd lead us;
much we need your tender care.
In your pleasant pastures feed us,
for our use your fold prepare.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
you have bought us; we are yours.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
you have bought us; we are yours.

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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: ourselves, 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

God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

In your mercy, O God, respond to these prayers, and renew us by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

+ WE ARE SENT OUT TO SERVE +

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

God, the Author of life,
Christ, the living Cornerstone,
and the life-giving Spirit of adoption,
bless you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN ELW 366 The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Tell what God has done.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE The Rejoicing (from *Firework Music*) - G.F. Handel, arr. E. Power Biggs

c. 1944 – The B.F. Wood Music Co.

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PRAYER LIST

Please continue to keep the following people connected to our congregation in your prayers: Bob Moran, Brian Allebach, Charles Krupp, Ann Brown Hager, David Mounts, Melissa Snyder, Sandy Umstead, Leah Crater, Steve Keyser, Sydney Crossin, Kathy Reese, Paige Seasock, Peyton Seasock, Tal Umstead, Dorothy Rudolph, Andrew Robison, Jeff Hart, Margaret Simon, Hailey Mientus, the Mientus family, Jeff Jadick, Loretta Diehl, Judy Ockenlaender, Heidi Guess, Ed Brown, Bruce Aldinger, Judith Hercek, Kassondra Sowden and Gail Kemmerer.

Mark your Calendar

Monday, May 9 7:30pm Council Meeting
Tuesday, May 10 10am WELCA Meeting
 Summer Newsletter Deadline
Wednesday, May 11 7pm Confirmation Learning

Sunday, May 15 8:30-9:15 Sunday School (preK—gr. 5)
 9:30 Worship
 Summer Newsletter deadline

Heavenly Helper Hoagies—Next orders are due Thursday, May 12th—contact Elaine Keller or sign up on the sheet outside PB’s office to get your delicious hoagie while supporting the Heavenly Helpers on their next mission trip. Pick up date for the May hoagies is Thursday, May 19th from 2-6:30pm.

Coffee Bar Help—Help keep the fellowship going by supporting the coffee bar at St. John's. There are slots to sign up to bring treats and help with making the coffee. Please bring treats to church by 8:30am on Sunday so they can be set out for the enjoyment of all. Sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040D4EACAD2FAA8-coffee>

St. John's will be recognizing and celebrating the Class of 2022 at the Sunday, June 5 9:30 AM worship.

Preschool, kindergarten, elementary or middle school grads welcome to participate along with high school, technical school, college and secondary degree graduates. Email the church office the following information for your graduate; your graduate's name, where they are graduating from, and what's next for your graduate. Send information to the church office no later than Sunday, May 22nd.

YPO Hang Out on Sunday, May 22nd from 4-6pm. Corn Hole Tournament with Waffles and Ice Cream for dinner. Please email Pastor Becky if you plan to come, so she can plan adequately for the food!

Sunday, June 12th is our annual Outdoor Worship and Church Picnic. Worship will be at 10:30am with the picnic to follow. Sign up charts are available outside of Pastor Becky’s office and online (see the website or weekly email). Be sure to mark your calendar to be here... Sunday, June 12th!

Newsletter deadline—the Summer Newsletter is in production, if you have anything that you would like included, please have it to the office no later than Sunday, May 15th.

CHOW DOWN SUMNEYTOWN...

IT'S FOOD TRUCK WEDNESDAY!

*Join us for food, live music, locally-brewed beer,
sweet treats, lawn games and community!*

WED. MAY 25 5-8 PM
AT ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
3104 MAIN STREET, SUMNEYTOWN

MORE INFO AT WWW.STJSUMNEYTOWN.ORG

St. John's VBS Day Camp!



Join us for games, snacks, arts & crafts, science,
music, stories & tons of fun!

Register Here 

June 27th - June 30th,
2022
9 am to 3 pm

