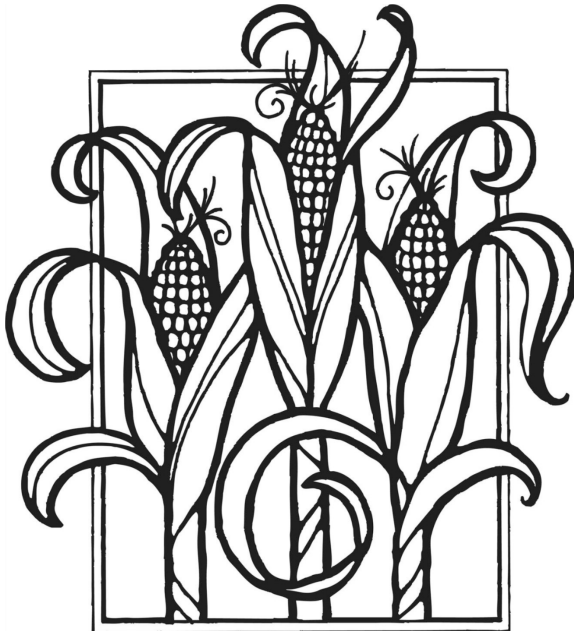


THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST ~ JUNE 18, 2023



LORD OF THE HARVEST

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If it is uncomfortable for you to stand where indicated, please feel free to remain seated. The congregation responds where it is bold print.



Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

please stand in body or spirit

Confession and Forgiveness

*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, who greets us in this and every season,
whose word never fails, whose promise is sure. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of our neighbors.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God, **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

Opening Hymn

“Rise Up, O Saints of God!”

#669

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.**

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.....**God of compassion, you have opened the way for us and brought us to yourself. Pour your love into our hearts, that, overflowing with joy, we may freely share the blessings of your realm and faithfully proclaim the good news of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

please be seated

First Reading

Exodus 19:2 - 8a

²[The Israelites] had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain.³Then Moses went up to God; the LORD called to him from the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites: ⁴You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. ⁵Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, ⁶but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites." ⁷So Moses came, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. ^{8a}The people all answered as one: "Everything that the LORD has spoken we will do."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 100

¹Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all you lands! ²Serve the LORD with gladness; come into God's presence with a song.

³Know that the LORD is God, our maker to whom we belong; we are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.

⁴Enter the gates of the LORD with thanksgiving and the courts with praise; give thanks and bless God's holy name.

⁵Good indeed is the LORD, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from age to age.

Second Reading

Romans 5:1 - 8

¹Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. ⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. ⁸But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Children's Sermon

Pastor Kim Knowle-Zeller

please stand in body or spirit

Gospel Acclamation

"Alleluia"

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Gospel

Matthew 9:35 -- 10:8

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the 9th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord

³⁵Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. ³⁶When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; ³⁸therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." ^{10:1}Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. ²These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; ³Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; ⁴Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him. ⁵These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, ⁶but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. ⁷As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' ⁸Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

please be seated
Sermon

Pastor Stephen Zeller

please stand in body or spirit
Hymn of the Day

"Spread, Oh, Spread, Almighty Word"

#663

please be seated
Service Of Holy Baptism

Weston Allen Balke

In baptism our gracious heavenly Father frees us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are born children of a fallen humanity; by water and the Holy Spirit we are reborn children of God and made members of the church, the body of Christ. Living with Christ and in the communion of saints, we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God.

Sponsors:
We present Weston Allen Balke for baptism.

Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have Weston baptized into Christ? *I do.*

As you bring Weston to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities:

to live with him among God's faithful people,
bring him to the word of God and the holy supper,
teach him the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments,
place in his hands the holy scriptures,
and nurture him in faith and prayer,
so that he may learn to trust God,
proclaim Christ through word and deed,
care for others and the world God made,
and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help Weston grow in the Christian faith and life? *I do.*

Sponsors, do you promise to nurture Weston in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help him live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church? *I do.*

People of God, do you promise to support Weston and pray for him in his new life in Christ? **We do.**

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church. Do you renounce the devil and all the powers of this world that defy God?
I renounce them.

Do you believe in God the Father?
**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
**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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
**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**

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

Weston Allen Balke, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Let us pray.....We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life. Sustain Weston with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. **Amen.**

Weston, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever. **Amen.**

Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world. Amen

Prayers of Intercession

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

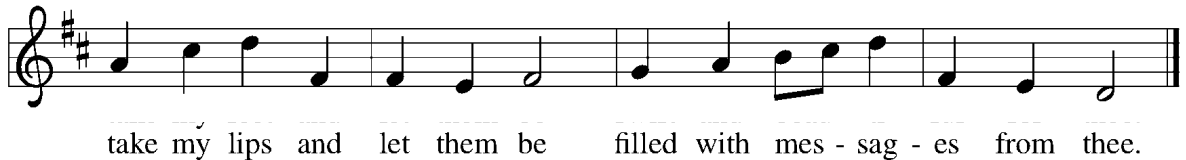
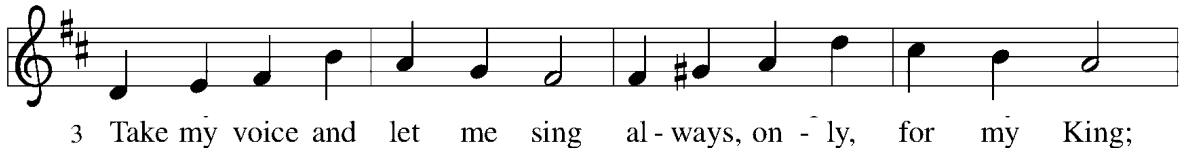
Sharing The Peace

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

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Offering

Take My Life, That I May Be



Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt.
Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

Offering Prayer

Let us pray.....God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

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.

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Hear, O Lord, the prayer you taught 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.**

please be seated
HOLY COMMUNION

by Stations

All who believe that Jesus is present in the Bread and the Wine
and has the power to forgive are welcome to commune.
Red wine or white grape juice is available.

Communion Hymns

"I Love to Tell the Story"

#661

"This Is My Father's World"

#824

please stand in body or spirit

Post-Communion Blessing

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his
grace. **Amen**

Post-Communion Prayer

Let us pray.....We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received
at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world,
through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

Blessing

The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed † bless, keep,
and sustain you now and to the end of the age. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

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Dismissal

Go in peace. Spread the Good News!

Thanks be to God!

"CALLED TO LOVE THE WORLD"

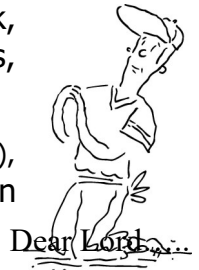


Welcome: Our fathers have such a profound influence on our lives! We welcome you this day as we honor our fathers. We owe them so much! As we do that, may we also seek to hear from our heavenly Father. We owe him everything! Thank you for joining us in worshipping our God today.

We invite everyone to enjoy coffee, snacks and fellowship before worship in the Gathering Space. Please join us!

In Our Prayers: "Unspoken prayer concerns", Teresa Viebrock, Anthony Kreisel, Jon Beckman, Nathan Vanderlinden, Gordon Ives, Dewey Jobe, Judy Smith, and Kyle Luetjen.

Cora Lee Fuch (mother of Greg Bredehoeft and grandmother of Angela Alcorn), Rodney Ingram, Becky Allen (grandmother of Adrienn Allen), Sharon Steigerwalt, Roger Kruep (grandpa of Kash Kruep), Linda Mehrens (sister of Teresa Viebrock), Jamie Simon, Dena Sikoutris, Joseph Fuelling (nephew of Paul Fuelling), Kathy Regekr, Bill Talbot (friend of Connie Gerken), Shirley Boose (mother of Melisa Balke), Annie Bright, Kiley Simon (friend of Jenna Nash), Karen Haase (sister-in-law of Gene Beckman), Jackie Ross (sister of Randy Healan), Gerald Goodson (uncle of Melisa Balke), Ronnie Logan (brother of Gale Logan), Marvin Logan (brother of Gale Logan), Marlin Lackas (brother-in-law of Paul Fuelling), Reagan Phillips, Bill Hampton, Alex Stevens (friend of Tina Ives) and Adam Gumbel (son of Jim & Kim Gumbel).



REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS

Nursing Home: Vern Dean Bohling: *Ambrose*. Huth Schlesselman, Marie Viebrock, Florence VonHolten & Cecelia Wiedemann: *GSCC*. Kathy Hallauer: *Loving Arms*.

Military: Please keep all those who have served our country past and present in your prayers, especially: ENS David M. Gardner (son of Pam Balke), Private Bradyn Hood (grandson of Connie Gerken), MSgt. Jason Ostberg (son-in-law of Suzanne Lutjen) Lt. Col. Ron Poe, Cpt. Joseph Strathman, Sgt. Russell J. Wiedemann (grandson of Cecelia Wiedemann) and Cpt. Wayne Wiedemann (grandson of Cecelia Wiedemann).



With Sympathy: We also pray for those families who have lost loved ones; family and friends of Linda Browning.



Prayers: If you would like your name added or removed from the prayer list, please contact the church office at 668-3537.

Thank You: The Fish Fry was a success! The committee would like to thank everyone that helped with the dinner. The cake bakers, potato salad makers, fishermen, fish fryers, our servers, bread maker, corn bread maker and kitchen help! It takes lots of members to make it work.

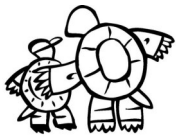


Thank you, Joyce Schlesselmann, Glenalee Dillon, Debbie Eckhoff and Krista Poe



Baptismal Grace: Today, Weston Allen Balke will be washed clean in the waters of Holy Baptism. We welcome him into the fellowship of faith that we all share through baptismal grace of God. Weston is the son of Chad and Rebecca Balke and was born on April 30, 2023.

Float: It's time to get fluffing! If we are going to have a float this year at the Cole Camp Fair we need YOUR help! We will have a brief meeting after worship **today**, in the Chapel to discuss plans, assign tasks, and begin brainstorming design ideas. This year's fair theme is "In Full Bloom." See you there!



Father's Day: Today is Father's Day. May God, our perfect Father, inspire earthly fathers and father-figures to live in service to those who look up to them. Amen.

One Stitch at a Time: The Sewing Group will meet on Monday, **June 19th** at 9:00am in the church basement.



Pastor's Bible Study: You are invited to join Pastor Stephen for a Bible study and conversation around the theme of Civic Life and Faith on Wednesday, **June 21st** at 7:00pm in the chapel. The study continues on July 6th and July 13th.

Summer: Summer praises you, God: Birds sing, trees clap their hands, the sun beams, rain showers announce your goodness — and we join in. Hallelujah! First day of summer is Wednesday, **June 21st**.





Health Care: The Benton County Health Department will be here on Thursday, **June 22nd** from 8:00am until 10:00am to help you with your health care needs.

Out of Office: Pastor Stephen will be out of the office **June 26th** through **June 29th**. He and Pastor Kim will be attending the final Communities of Calling retreat in Collegeville, Minnesota.



Ice Cream Social: Get ready for a wonderful social time to enjoy the company of your friends and neighbors while enjoying the goodies that will be served. The Ice Cream Social will be held on Sunday, **June 25th** beginning at 6:00pm. Entertainment will begin at 7:00pm. The ladies of the congregation are asked to bring 2 pies (unless contacted to bring a cake). Pie tins are available in the link. Proceeds will go to the Salvation Army of Benton County and Seniors of North Benton County.

Newsletter: The Sunbeam committee will meet on Wednesday, **June 28th** at 3:00pm



Skating: We're going skating! Join us on **July 16th** from 4-6 pm at the Wheel Thing Skate Center in Sedalia for an all-ages St. Paul's skate party. There will be concessions available for purchase, but we can bring our own snacks, as well. The cost is \$10.00 per person to attend. Sign up in the link or contact Anne at mothergoosena@gmail.com.

Vacation Bible School: Mark your calendars for a down under adventure at this year's VBS, for the theme of Zoomerang. VBS will be held **July 17th - 21st**, from 6:00-8:30 pm. Invite a friend to what will surely be an awesome adventure!



Peterson Farm Brothers Return!!: St. Paul's is hosting the Peterson Farm Brothers for a **free** community concert on Friday evening, **July 21st** at 7:30 p.m. in the Jaycee's Garden. The concert is in honor of all those who work in the field of agriculture - farmers and ranchers, in particular. The concert will also close our this year's Vacation Bible School "Zoomerang". Invite your friends and neighbors and join an evening of community fun and fellowship!

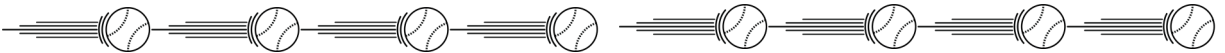


Bible Camp: Mid-MO Bible Camp is excited to be taking place **July 23rd to 27th**. It is for campers who have completed 4th grade but not entered 10th. Cost is \$100 by St. Paul's is paying half the fee for members and their friends. Our theme this year is Fearless from Deut. 31:6 and Josh 1:9. In order to receive a camp shirt, forms must be mailed back by June 25th. Once received, camper/parent letters and directions will be mailed or emailed out in July. The forms are available on the Usher's Stands.

Queen Esther: The Church Trip to Branson for the performance of Queen Esther has been **tentatively** scheduled for Wednesday, **July 26th**. We will be attending the 3:30 p.m. performance at a cost of \$59.00 per person, stopping for dinner following the performance. There is a sign-up sheet in the link. Again, based on the number wishing to attend will determine whether we will travel by bus or car. For questions, please contact Janice.



Back to School Clothing Sale: The Church Alliance will hold its annual Clothing Sale on Saturday, **August 5th**, here at St. Paul's. We are collecting donations of gently used clothing (for all ages). Those donations can be brought to the church basement on Sunday mornings or during regular office hours.



Thank you for the laughter,
For the good times that we share,
Thanks for always listening,
For trying to be fair.
Thank you for your comfort,
When things are going bad,
Thank you for the shoulder,
To cry on when I'm sad.
This poem's a reminder that
All my life through,
I'll be thanking heaven
For a special dad like you.

THANK YOU DAD



Anonymous

~ * ~ **IN OUR COMMUNITY** ~ * ~



Benefit Fundraiser for Anthony Kreisel: A fundraising dinner, concert, and silent auction to benefit Anthony Kreisel following a stroke and long hospital stay will happen **today**, at the Jaycee Gardens in Cole Camp. The gates open at 5pm for serving food, with music to start at 6pm. Everything is free-will offering to benefit Anthony and his family. Come out for a great evening to support a great cause.

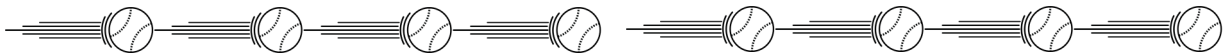
Fundraiser Meal: The Seniors of North Benton County will be holding a fundraiser meal on Sunday, **July 2nd**. They will be serving lasagna or spaghetti with meat sauce also salad and dessert from 11:00am until 1:00pm at St. Paul's Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall. There will be a free will donation for the meal. We are raising funds to repair the Senior Center parking lot.



Community Fish Fry: The Cole Camp Area Church Alliance will once again hold their Community Fish Fry on Saturday, **July 15th**, from 5:00-7:00 pm. This year it will be held at First Baptist Church. As this is a community effort with all of the churches, ***WE NEED YOUR HELP!!*** Could you volunteer some time that day to help set up or serve? Could you provide a homemade dessert? Please let Pastor Stephen or Arlene Schlesselman know if you are available to help. Thank you!

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

Sunday, June 18:	10:00am	Worship Service Holy Communion by Stations Baptism of Weston Balke Father's Day
Monday, June 19:	9:00am	Sewing
Wednesday, June 21:	7:00pm	Pastor's Bible Study
Thursday, June 22:	8:00am	BCHD
Saturday, June 24:	5:30pm	Casual Worship
Sunday, June 25:	10:00am	Worship Service Holy Communion by Stations
	6:00pm	Ice Cream Social

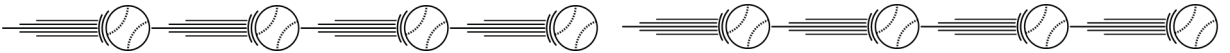


~ * ~ Coming Events ~ * ~

June 23 - 25	WELCA Convention
June 25	Ice Cream Social
July 15	Brockfeld & Bowlin Wedding
July 15	CCACA Fish Fry
July 16	Skating Party
July 17 - 21	Vacation Bible School

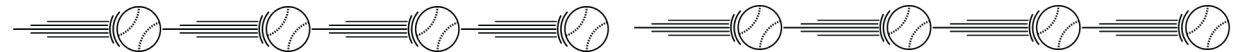
Welcome to St. Paul's Lutheran Church

Ministers The Whole Congregation
Presiding Minister Pastor Stephen Zeller
Organist Lois Viebrock
Pianist Jeannette VonHolten
Altar Guild Shirley Cash & Norma Schlesselman
Ushers Justin Tinney, Assistant Head Usher
..... Vickie Fox, John Oelrichs, Braden Poe & Ryan Schlesselman.



Third Sunday after Pentecost ~ June 18, 2023

Assisting Minister Melisa Balke
Communion Assistants Luther League
Reader Alex Cash
Children's Sermon Pastor Kim Knowle-Zeller
Acolytes Grady Elliott & Wyatt Gooch
Flowers Luther League (Father's Day)



Fourth Sunday after Pentecost ~ June 25, 2023

Assisting Minister Tom Oelrichs
Communion Assistants Glenalee Dillon & Sharel Wienberg
Reader Lynn Schear
Children's Sermon Jennifer Rehmer
Acolytes Ben Goosen & Khloe Viebrock
Flowers Jean Healan