

*Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church
of South Newstead
June 21st, 2026
4th Sunday after Pentecost*



God does not promise that the path of the disciple will be easy. Jeremiah feels the pain of rejection from those who do not want to hear what he has to say. Jesus declares that his words may bring stark division. Even so, we need not be afraid for God accounts for each hair on our heads. Though we may experience rejection, frustration, division, and death, God's grace and love make us a new creation each day. Marked with the cross and filled with holy food, we are sent from worship to witness to Christ in the world.

**PRELUDE – WELCOME –
ANNOUNCEMENTS – PRAYER REQUESTS**

Please stand as you are able

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
whose compassion endures forever.

ALL: Amen.

L: Let us confess our sin to God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate God,

ALL: 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.

L: 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.

ALL: Amen.

**OPENING HYMN: Let the Whole Creation Cry
Green Book: 242**

Let the Whole Creation Cry

1 Let the whole cre - a - tion cry, "Glo - ry to the Lord on high!"
 2 War-riors fight - ing for the Lord, proph-ets burn - ing with his word,
 3 Men and wom - en, young and old, raise the an - them loud and bold,

Heav'n and earth, a - wake and sing, "Praise him, our al - might - y king!"
 those to whom the arts be - long add their voic - es to the song.
 and let chil - dren's hap - py hearts in this wor - ship take their parts;

Praise him, an - gel hosts a - bove, ev - er bright and fair in love;
 Kings of knowl - edge and of law, to the glo - rious cir - cle draw;
 from the north to south - ern pole let the might - y cho - rus roll:

sun and moon, lift up your voice; night and stars, in God re - joice.
 all who work and all who wait, sing, "The Lord is good and great!"
 "Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly One; glo - ry be to God a - lone!"

Text: Stopford A. Brooke, 1832–1916, alt.
 Music: SALZBURG. Jakob Hintze, 1622–1702, adapt.: arr. J. S. Bach, 1685–1750

GREETING:

L: The grace of our LORD Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

ALL: And also with you.

KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



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 mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Refrain
Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

L: Let us pray,

Teach us, good Lord God, to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to ask for reward, except that of knowing that we do your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

ALL: Amen.

Please be seated

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 20:7-13

L:⁷ O Lord, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all day long; everyone mocks me.

⁸ For whenever I speak, I must cry out; I must shout, "Violence and destruction!" For the word of the Lord has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. ⁹ If I say, "I will not mention him or speak any more in his name," then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. ¹⁰ For I hear many whispering: "Terror is all around! Denounce him! Let us denounce him!"

All my close friends are watching for me to stumble.

"Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him and take our revenge on him."¹¹ But the Lord is with me like a terrifying warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten. ¹² O Lord of hosts, you test the righteous; you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause. ¹³ Sing to the Lord; praise the Lord!

For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.

L: The word of the Lord. **ALL: Thanks be to God**

PSALM : 69: 7-10 [11-15] 16-18

L: ⁷ Surely, for your sake I have suffered reproach, and shame has covered my face.

ALL: ⁸ I have become a stranger to my own kindred, an alien to my mother's children.

L: ⁹ Zeal for your house has eaten me up; the scorn of those who scorn you has fallen upon me.

ALL: ¹⁰ I humbled myself with fasting, but that was turned to my reproach.

L: ¹¹ I put on sackcloth also, and became a byword among them.

ALL: ¹² Those who sit at the gate murmur against me, and the drunkards make songs about me.

L: ¹³ But as for me, this is my prayer to you, at the time you have set, O Lord: "In your great mercy, O God, answer me with your unfailing help.

ALL: ¹⁴ Save me from the mire; do not let me sink;

let me be rescued from those who hate me and out of the deep waters.

L: ¹⁵ Let not the torrent of waters wash over me, neither let the deep swallow me up; do not let the pit shut its mouth upon me.

ALL: ¹⁶ Answer me, O Lord, for your love is kind;

in your great compassion, turn to me.

L: ¹⁷ Hide not your face from your servant; be swift and answer me, for I am in distress.

ALL: ¹⁸ Draw near to me and redeem me; because of my enemies deliver me.

SECOND READING: Romans 6:1b-11

L: ^{1b} Should we continue in sin in order that grace may increase? ² By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? ³ Do you not know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴ Therefore we were buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we also might walk in newness of life.

⁵ For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶ We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, so we might no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷ For whoever has died is freed from sin. ⁸ But if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹ We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰ The death he died, he died to sin once for all, but the life he lives, he lives to God. ¹¹ So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

L: The word of the Lord. **ALL: Thanks be to God.**

Please stand if you are able

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL: Matthew 10:24-39

L: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

ALL: Glory to you, O Lord.

L: [Jesus said to the twelve:] ²⁴ “A disciple is not above the teacher nor a slave above the master; ²⁵ it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

²⁶ “So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered and nothing secret that will not become known. ²⁷ What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. ²⁸ Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather, fear the one who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹ Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. ³⁰ And even the hairs of your head are all counted. ³¹ So do not be afraid; you are of

more value than many sparrows.

³² “Everyone, therefore, who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven, ³³ but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

³⁴ “Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace but a sword.

³⁵ For I have come to set a man against his father,
and a daughter against her mother,
and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law,

³⁶ and one’s foes will be members of one’s own household.

³⁷ “Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me, ³⁸ and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. ³⁹ Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.”

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

CHILDREN’S BACKPACK CHALLENGE

SERMON: Pastor Rick Mollenkopf-Grill

HYMN OF THE DAY: How Firm a Foundation

Green Book: 507

Please stand as you are able

How Firm a Foundation



1 How firm a foun - da - tion, O saints of the Lord,
 2 "Fear not, I am with you, oh, be not dis - mayed,
 3 "When through fi - ery tri - als your path - way shall lie,
 4 "Through - out all their life - time my peo - ple shall prove

is laid for your faith in his ex - cel - lent word!
 for I am your God and will still give you aid;
 my grace, all - suf - fi - cient, shall be your sup - ply.
 my sov - 'reign, e - ter - nal, un - change - a - ble love;

What more can he say than to you he has said
 I'll strength - en you, help you, and cause you to stand,
 The flames shall not hurt you; I on - ly de - sign
 and then, when gray hairs shall their tem - ples a - dorn,

who un - to the Sav - ior for ref - uge have fled?
 up - held by my righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand."
 your dross to con - sume and your gold to re - fine."
 like lambs they shall still in my bo - som be borne."

Text: J. Rippon, *A Selection of Hymns*, 1787, alt.
 Music: FOUNDATION, early American

APOSTLE'S CREED

L: We are God's people. Joining together, let us confess our faith using the words of the Apostle's Creed:

ALL: 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 power of 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

L: Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the church and the needs of the world.

A brief silence.

L: Life-giving God, you have called your people to lose their lives for Jesus' sake. Strengthen your church to follow you in the face of difficulty. We pray for our sibling churches of the NOEL cluster: First English, Lockport; St. John's, Lyndonville; St. Peter, Medina; Trinity, Wolcottsville; and Zion, Gasport. God of grace,
ALL: hear our prayer.

L: Creator God, you know every sparrow that falls to the ground. Protect migrating birds, endangered species, and their natural habitats. Empower us to care for your creation. God of grace,
ALL: hear our prayer.

L: Sovereign God, you call us to act justly and love mercy. Protect those with marginalized identities to whom we have not shown the abounding love of Jesus. Bring an end to oppression and bigotry in all forms. God of grace,
ALL: hear our prayer.

L: Sustaining God, you promise to provide for us. Help those living with disability. Comfort those experiencing any sort of illness or suffering (*especially...*). God of grace,
ALL: hear our prayer.

L: Empowering God, strengthen us to live out our diverse callings. We pray especially for fathers and father figures, that they show your compassion and care. We pray for all for whom this day is difficult or painful. God of grace,
ALL: hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

L: Faithful God, we give thanks for saints who have claimed their baptismal promises. May we follow their example of faith and service. God of grace,
ALL: hear our prayer.

L: And comforting God, we know your Spirit intercedes for us even when our sighs are too deep for words to express. Hear us as we share our deepest needs in this time of silent prayer.

A moment for silent prayer.

L: God of grace,
ALL: hear our prayer.

L: Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, O God, through Jesus our Savior.
ALL: Amen.

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

L: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

ALL: And also with you.

*You are invited to greet your neighbors
with a sign of Christ's peace.*

Please be seated

OFFERING




SCAN ME

Any financial gifts you wish to give towards the ministry of Trinity may be placed in the offering plate as it is passed around or at the rear of the sanctuary. You may also give your offering online using the QR code provided or go to trinitysouthnewstead.org/give. We give thanks for your sharing of your offerings this and every day.

Please stand as you are able

OFFERTORY



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that
we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of
all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble
with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

L: Let us pray together, Loving God,

ALL: we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts.

Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.

Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

L: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places, give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,

heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

L: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread and gave thanks; broke it and gave it to his disciples saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

L: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

ALL: 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 glory, forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

L: Heaven has come near. Come, share in the feast!

Please be seated

THE DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

The minister will give instruction on the distribution of communion.

COMMUNION HYMN: Lamb Of God

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN: I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry - Blue Book: 770

To be sung during the distribution of communion

Borning Cry



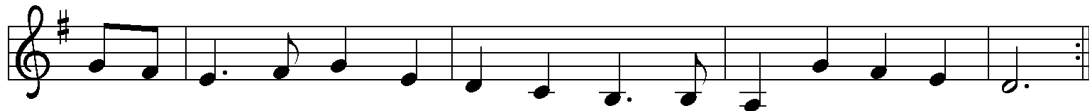
1 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are old.
2 "When you heard the won-der of the Word I was there to cheer you on;
3 "In the mid-dle a - ges of your life, not too old, no lon - ger young,



I re - joiced the day you were bap-tized to see your life un - fold.
you were raised to praise the liv - ing Lord, to whom you now be - long.
I'll be there to guide you through the night, com-plete what I've be - gun.



I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;
If you find some-one to share your time and you join your hearts as one,
When the eve - ning gent - ly clos - es in and you shut your wea - ry eyes,



in a blaze of light you wan-dered off to find where de-mons dwell."
I'll be there to make your vers - es rhyme from dusk till ris - ing sun."
I'll be there as I have al - ways been, with just one more sur - prise."



4 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are old.



I re - joiced the day you were bap-tized to see your life un - fold."

Text: John C. Ylvisaker, b. 1937
Music: WATERLIFE, John C. Ylvisaker
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COMMUNION HYMN: *by request as needed*

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

L: The body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen and keep you in his grace. **ALL:**
Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

L: Let us pray together, compassionate God,

ALL: 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.

BLESSING

L: Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always. **ALL:**

Amen.

SENDING HYMN: O Jesus, I have Promised

Green Book: 503

O Jesus, I Have Promised

1 O Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;
 2 Oh, let me feel you near me; the world is ev - er near.
 3 Oh, let me hear you speak - ing in ac - cents clear and still
 4 O Je - sus, you have prom - ised to all who fol - low you

re - main for - ev - er near me, my mas - ter and my friend.
 I see the sights that daz - zle, the tempt - ing sounds I hear.
 a - bove the storms of pas - sion, the mur - murs of self - will.
 that where you are in glo - ry your ser - vant shall be too.

I shall not fear the bat - tle if you are by my side,
 My foes are ev - er near me, a - round me and with - in;
 Now speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;
 And Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;

nor wan - der from the path - way if you will be my guide.
 but, Je - sus, then draw near - er to shield my soul from sin.
 now speak and make me lis - ten, O Guard - ian of my soul.
 oh, give me grace to fol - low, my mas - ter and my friend.

Text: John E. Bode, 1816-1874, alt.
 Music: MUNICH, *Neuvermehrtes Gesangbuch*, Meiningen, 1693

DISMISSAL

L: Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

ALL: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

About Today's Readings:

Jeremiah 20:7-13

Jeremiah accuses God of forcing him into a ministry that brings him only contempt and persecution. Yet Jeremiah is confident that God will be a strong protector against his enemies and commits his life into God's hands.

Second Reading: Romans 6:1b-11

In baptism we were incorporated into the reality of Christ's death and resurrection. We have been made new in Christ through his death and resurrection to live freed from sin.

Gospel: Matthew 10:24-39

Jesus warns his disciples that their ministry in his name will meet with opposition. However, he assures them that they need not fear for the truth will come to light. Life is found in Christ.

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Happy Father's Day to all the fathers, grandfathers and caregivers! Enjoy your day!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please Hold in Prayer:

To add someone to the prayer list in the bulletin/beacon, add them to the list in the back of the Sanctuary or contact the church office. If you would like your prayer concern to be shared through our One Call system, please call Sue Kidder at 716-542-2095.

We pray for healing, strength and patience for those we love going through difficult times:

Laura Pingitore
Jane Firestone
Jackie Morgante
Shirley Smith
Harold Gardner
Joe Rizzo's dad, Angelo
Nancy Peters
Mary
Tony Kaminski, Jr.
Linda Lawrie's sister, Sharon
Linda Lawrie's daughter, Jodi
Sharon Ferraro
Jodi Rzipka
Ray Francis
Rosemary Doyle
Nancy Dean (Pastor's Dean's wife)
Catherine Schoenthal
Pastor Wiedman and his wife, Carol
Helmut Bauder
Dave Raquet

We pray for patience, strength and support for the families and friends of:

Tony Kaminski, Sr.

Norman Bosser

(memorial service @ Ross Funeral Home visitation today from 4-7pm and funeral tomorrow at 10am @ Ross

Ken Schmidt, Jr. *(memorial service @ Ross Funeral Home Tues, June 30th at 11 am. Calling hours: Monday June 29th from 1-4pm.)*

Weekly:

Choir is off for the summer!

Sunday School is off until September 6th

Sunday Worship at 9:30

Bible Study: See list below

Food Pantry:

First Monday of the Month: setup @ 8am

First Tuesday of the month: distribution @ 8:30am

Council: July 14th @ 7pm

Office Info:

Pastor Rick: Tuesdays 10:00-1:00 p.m. and by appointment

Tracy: Tuesdays: 9:30-2:30, Thursdays: remote. Call, text or email any time.

Summer office hours updates:

Things will be changing slightly in the summer. If you need to stop in to the office, here are the changes:

June 30th – office closed for funeral

July 2nd – office open from 11am-5pm

July 14th and 16th – office open from 1:30-6ish

July 28 – office is closed (Tracy is away)

August 11th and 13th – office open from 1:30-6ish

August 14-30th – Pastor is away

Bible Study

Trinity is part of the NOEL (Niagara Orleans Ev. Lutherans) cluster of churches' Bible Study. Consider this your invitation to join, make new friends, and gain new insights into the Word and faith.

Pastor Rick, Pastor Craig, and Pastor Sohail lead this Bible Study, which is at 10 am Thursdays. The location rotates among the NOEL churches:

6/25 – St. John's – 10213 Roosevelt Hwy, Lyndonville, 14098

7/2 – Here at Trinity!

7/9- St. Peter – 1355 West Ave, Medina, 14103

7/16 – Trinity Wolcottsville – 6369 Wolcottsville Rd, Akron 14001

7/23 – Zion - 4447 Central Ave, Gasport 14067

7/30 – St. John's - 10213 Roosevelt Hwy, Lyndonville, 14098

Sidewalk Sale: Thank You

Thank you to everyone who donated, wrapped and volunteered to help make this sidewalk sale happen. It is a labor of love and a cherished tradition for our church family. We appreciate your help!

Prayers for Healing: June 28th

Pastor will once again be offering special prayers for healing during worship on June 28th. Simply approach the altar rail during this time and stand or kneel, and Pastor will offer a laying on of hands and a special prayer for healing, no matter what you are looking for healing from physically, mentally, emotionally, spiritually or otherwise.

One Call

As most of you know, our One Call system, while highly necessary and effective, often has glitches. If you receive a message that starts halfway through, or stops prematurely, or – if you don't even *receive* the message but heard there's one – there is a **backup option** you can try:

Call back the One Call number (1-877-698-3261) and follow the prompt to hit #1. That will replay the last message for you. This feature is only available for the last message and may expire after a day or two. But, it's a second option to try. We've contacted the company but there doesn't seem to be a fix for it. If you need to double check your number on file, please email the church office. And, if you're able to support by paying for a month of the One Call service, please see pastor or leave a check in Tammy & Becky's mailbox designating what it's for.

Church Directories

If you didn't grab an updated church directory, more copies are available in the narthex. It is updated every few months to reflect address and phone changes.

VBS 2026:

Vacation Bible School is coming up quickly. Hosted by Town Line and Trinity, and taking place at Town Line Lutheran (1159 Town Line Rd. Alden), **it starts on Sunday June 28th and runs through Thursday July 2nd, from 6-8pm.** Registration is necessary and forms with the QR code are available on the children's table in the narthex. It is open for kids from pre-K to 6th grade. A light dinner is offered at 5:30 if you're pre-registered. And to volunteer, please see Pastor Rick.

July 4th Parade

On **July 4th**, we will have a **float in the Akron parade**. We are collecting donations to help pay for it. You'll see the fancy box in the narthex – Thanks, Donna!

Christine Johnson and David Hofmeier are spearheading it – please see them to find out how you can help further.

Worship in the Park

On **July 12th**, we will have our annual **Worship in the Park at Akron Falls Park at shelter off of the Brooklyn St. entrance.** This year, we will be joined by our brothers and sisters from Zion Gasport.

Then on **August 2nd, Veteran's Park in Gasport** – only one shelter in the park, you can't miss it. The address is 7992 State St. in Gasport.

For both picnics, worship starts at **10:30**, bring a dish to pass and a chair if you like.

Pies in the Park

July 31st is the annual **Pies in the Park**. Stay tuned for a signup sheet for that but mark your calendars in the meantime.