



**Seventh Sunday of Easter  
Sunday, May 29, 2022**

**Prelude:** "Armed Forces Medley"

**Welcome to Worship and Announcements**

**\*Thanksgiving for Baptism:**

**P** Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**C** **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

**P** In the waters of baptism, we have passed over from death to life with Jesus Christ, and we are a new creation. For this saving mystery, and for this water, let us bless God, who was, who is, and who is to come.

We thank you, God, for your river of life, flowing freely from your throne:

through the earth,

through the city,

through every living thing.

You rescued Noah and his family from the flood; You opened wide the sea for the Israelites. Now in these waters you flood us with mercy, and our sin is drowned forever. You open the gate of righteousness and we pass safely through. In Jesus Christ, you calm and trouble the waters. You nourish us and enclose us in safety. You call us forth and send us out. In lush and barren places, you are with us. You have become our salvation. Now breathe upon this water and awaken your church once more. Claim us again as your beloved and holy people.

Quench our thirst; cleanse our hearts; wipe away every tear. To you, our Beginning and our End, our Shepherd and Lamb, be honor, glory, praise, and thanksgiving, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

**\*Gathering Hymn: "Alleluia! Sing to Jesus" ELW 392**

**\*Greeting:**

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

C **And also with you.**

**\*Hymn**

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



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



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.



Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and



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

*Refrain*

2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and

join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:

Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to

God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*

3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

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

*Final refrain*  
This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

\*Please stand as you are able.

**\*Prayer of the Day:**

**All O God, form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**Kids Word:** Pastor Jerry O'Neal

**Our first reading is from Acts 16:16-34**

*Those who had enslaved a girl and used her powers to tell fortunes threw Paul and Silas into jail for ordering the spirit to come out of her and consequently ruining their business. In prison, Paul and Silas bring the good news of the gospel to the jailer and his family.*

<sup>16</sup>One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. <sup>17</sup>While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." <sup>18</sup>She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

<sup>19</sup>But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. <sup>20</sup>When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews <sup>21</sup>and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." <sup>22</sup>The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. <sup>23</sup>After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. <sup>24</sup>Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

<sup>25</sup>About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. <sup>26</sup>Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. <sup>27</sup>When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. <sup>28</sup>But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." <sup>29</sup>The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. <sup>30</sup>Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" <sup>31</sup>They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." <sup>32</sup>They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. <sup>33</sup>At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. <sup>34</sup>He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

**L** Word of God. Word of life.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Psalm 97:** (Read responsively between Lector and Congregation.)

<sup>1</sup>The LORD reigns; let the earth rejoice;  
let the multitude of the isles be glad.

<sup>2</sup>**Clouds and darkness surround the LORD,  
righteousness and justice are the foundations of God's throne.**

<sup>3</sup>Fire goes before the LORD,  
burning up enemies on every side.

\*Please stand as you are able.

**<sup>4</sup>Lightnings light up the world;  
the earth sees and trembles.**

<sup>5</sup>The mountains melt like wax  
before the Lord of all the earth.

**<sup>6</sup>The heavens declare your righteousness, O LORD,  
and all the peoples see your glory.**

<sup>7</sup>Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in false gods!  
Bow down before the LORD, all you gods.

**<sup>8</sup>Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice,  
because of your judgments, O LORD.**

<sup>9</sup>For you are the LORD, most high over all the earth;  
you are exalted far above all gods.

**<sup>10</sup>You who love the LORD, hate evil!**

**God guards the lives of the saints and rescues them from the hand of the wicked.**

<sup>11</sup>Light dawns for the righteous,  
and joy for the honest of heart.

**<sup>12</sup>Rejoice in the LORD, you righteous,  
and give thanks to God's holy name.**

### **Our second reading is from Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21**

*The ascended Christ, hidden from our sight, promises to come again. We eagerly pray, "Come, Lord Jesus," with all who respond to this invitation.*

<sup>12</sup>"See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. <sup>13</sup>I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."

<sup>14</sup>Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates.

<sup>16</sup>"It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."

<sup>17</sup>The Spirit and the bride say, "Come."

And let everyone who hears say, "Come."

And let everyone who is thirsty come.

Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

<sup>20</sup>The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon."

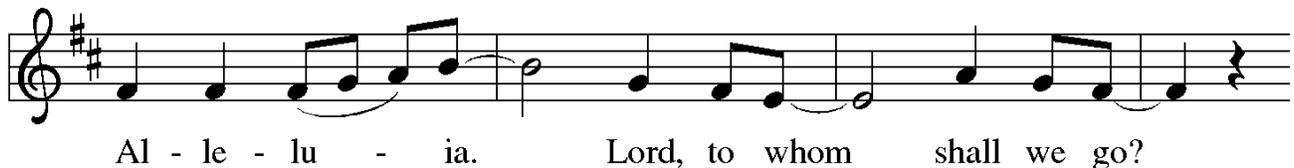
Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

<sup>21</sup>The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

L Word of God. Word of life.

C **Thanks be to God.**

**\*Gospel Acclamation:** (setting 6 in ELW)



\*Please stand as you are able.

**\*Gospel Reading: John 17:20-26**

*Jesus prays that the life of his followers will be characterized by an intimate unity of identity with God. To be so identified with God means also to share in God's mission: to proclaim the word that will bring others into this same unity.*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to John the 17<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus prayed:] <sup>20</sup>"I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, <sup>21</sup>that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. <sup>22</sup>The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, <sup>23</sup>I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. <sup>24</sup>Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

<sup>25</sup>"Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. <sup>26</sup>I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Sermon:** Pr. Jerry O'Neal

**\*Hymn of the Day:** "Amazing Grace/My Chains Are Gone" arr. by Chris Tomlin

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Amazing grace how sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me  
I once was lost, but now I'm found  
Was blind, but now I see

My chains are gone, I've been set free  
My God, my Savior has ransomed me  
And like a flood His mercy reigns  
Unending love  
Amazing grace

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear  
And grace my fears relieved  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed

My chains are gone, I've been set free  
My God, my Savior has ransomed me  
And like a flood His mercy reigns  
Unending love  
Amazing grace

My chains are gone, I've been set free  
My God, my Savior has ransomed me  
And like a flood His mercy reigns  
Unending love  
Amazing grace

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow  
The sun forbear to shine  
But God, who called me here below  
Will be forever mine, will be forever mine  
You are forever mine

The Lord has promised good to me  
His word my hope secures  
He will my shield and portion be  
As long as life endures

\*Please stand as you are able.

**\*Apostles' Creed:**

**P&C 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:** (Congregation's response in bold type.)

L For our prayers today, I will conclude each petition with "God, in your mercy," and your response is, "**receive our prayer.**"

Set free from captivity to sin and death, we pray to the God of resurrection for the church, people in need, and all of creation.

*A brief silence.*

Holy God, make your people one as you and your Son are one. Extend the gifts we have been given by your Spirit to all people, especially those experiencing division or questioning your love. God, in your mercy,

**receive our prayer.**

Make worthy the work of scientists who look to the stars and planets, as well as scientists who look to atoms and molecules. Bring innovation and well-being to humanity through their discoveries. God, in your mercy,

**receive our prayer.**

Keep in our minds those who have died in war, both military and civilians. May we honor them by seeking peaceful solutions to the conflicts that arise among nations and peoples. God, in your mercy,

**receive our prayer.**

Grant freedom to all who are overwhelmed by chronic illness, depression, or constant worry, especially those we now name either aloud or in the silence of our hearts (pause).

Open them to receive health and salvation in Christ Jesus through the Spirit's gift of faith. God, in your mercy,

**receive our prayer.**

Stir imagination and understanding throughout the church in the work of poets, theologians, and hymnwriters. Lead us into new visions and fresh expressions of your presence. God, in your mercy,

**receive our prayer.**

Heal and comfort those who have been victimized or have lost loved ones due to violence, especially those at Robb Elementary School in Uvalde, Texas. Bring your peace to all the earth. God, in your mercy,

**receive our prayer.**

\*Please stand as you are able.

Unite us with the saints who have died and been raised in Jesus. Train us to wait with eager longing for Christ to come again, even as we sense his presence with us now. God, in your mercy,

**receive 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.**

**\*Sharing the Peace:**

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

**Offering:**

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**Offering Music:** "Ukrainian National Anthem" arr. by Jason Tonioli

["Shche ne vmerla Ukrainy" (Ukraine Has Not Yet Perished)]

**\*Offertory Hymn:** "At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing" ELW 362 (verses 1-2)

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The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). It consists of three staves of music. The lyrics are printed below the notes. The first staff has two verses of lyrics. The second and third staves have lyrics for the first verse. The music features a mix of quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, with some phrases marked with slurs.

1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to  
2 Praise we Christ, whose love di - vine gives his

our vic - to - rious king, who has washed us in the tide  
sa - cred blood for wine, gives his bod - y for the feast—

flow - ing from his wound - ed side. Al - le - lu - ia!  
Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest. Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Latin hymn, 17th cent.; tr. Robert Campbell, 1814–1868, alt.  
Music: SONNE DER GERECHTIGKEIT, Bohemian Brethren, *Kirchengeseng*, 1566

**\*Offering Prayer:**

L Living God, you gather the wolf and the lamb to feed together in your peaceable reign, and you welcome us all at your table. Reach out to us through this meal, and show us your wounded and risen body, that we may be nourished and believe in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

**\*Great Thanksgiving**

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

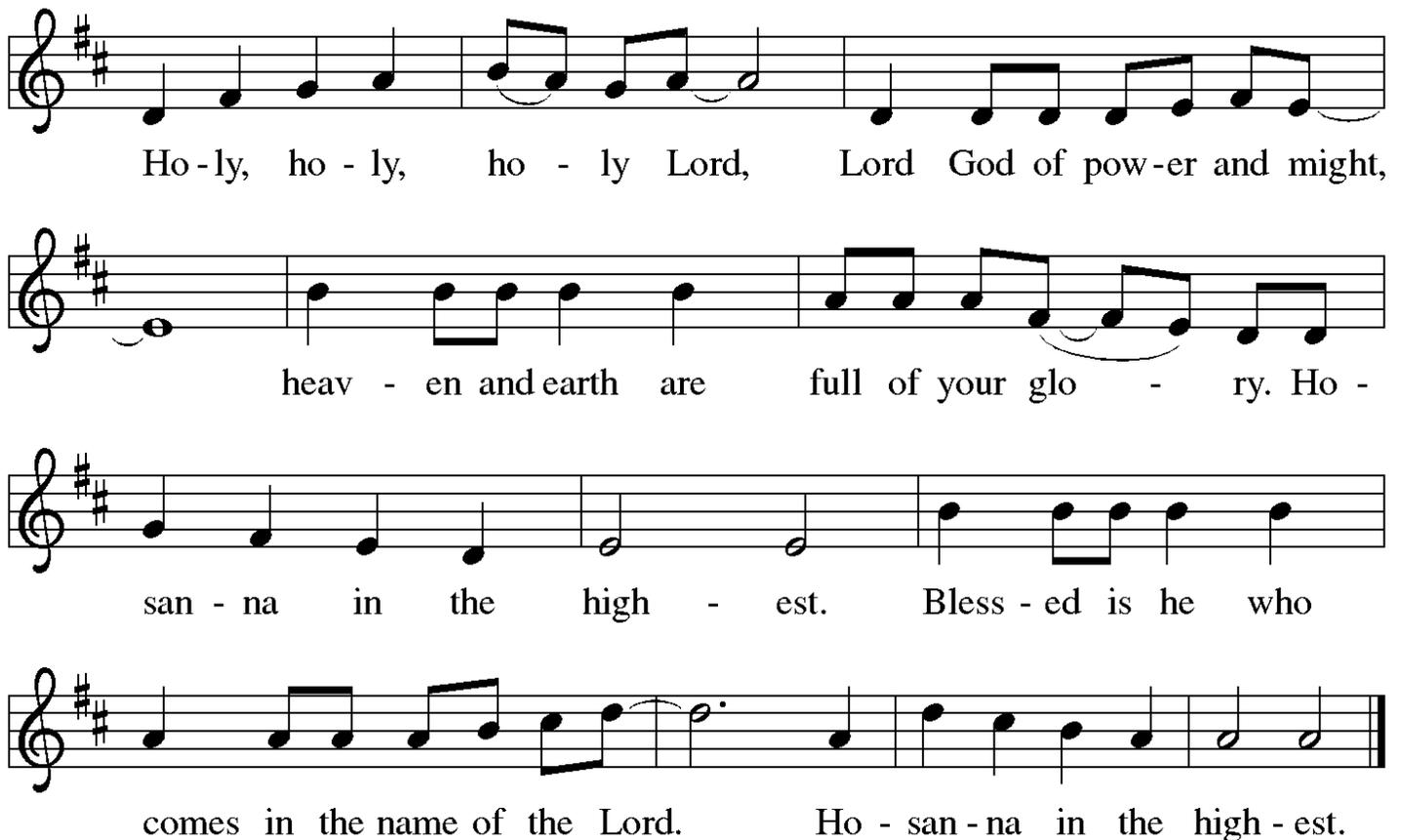
C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P 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, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow - er and might,  
heav - en 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.

\*Please stand as you are able.

P Blessed are you, O God, creator of heaven and earth. You rescued your covenant people, led them on all their journeys, and taught them by the prophets. You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

*(The Words of Institution will be said in Spanish, then English.)*

P La noche en que fue entregado,  
nuestro Señor Jesús tomó pan y dio gracias;  
lo partió y lo dio a sus discípulos, diciendo:  
Tomen y coman; esto es mi cuerpo, dado por ustedes.  
Hagan esto en memoria mía.

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.

De igual manera, después de haber cenado, tomó la copa,  
dio gracias y la dio a beber a todos, diciendo:  
Esta copa es el nuevo pacto en mi sangre,  
derramada por ustedes y por todo el mundo para el perdón del pecado.  
Hagan esto en memoria mía.

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.

As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

P Pour out your Holy Spirit in this meal, and make us one in this community of faith and with your people throughout the world.

Glory and praise to you,  
O God, Author of life,  
Word made flesh,  
Power of the Most High, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

**\*Lord's Prayer:**

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us. (Lord's Prayer)

**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 the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

**\*Invitation to Communion:**

P The risen Christ dwells with us here. All who are hungry, all who are thirsty, come.

**Communion Hymn: "Lamb of God" (setting 6)**

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.

**Distribution:**

*This is the Table of Grace for all who belong to Christ and seek his gifts of forgiveness, life and salvation. We extend to you all that we have in the Lord Jesus and invite you to his Holy Supper. Those communing with us who haven't been baptized and desire God's gifts of forgiveness, life and salvation in Holy Baptism are invited to talk to the Pastor. Communion is continuous as we kneel at the altar. White grape juice is offered as an alternative to wine. Communicants come to the altar down the center aisle, fill in the communion rail from left to right and return by the side aisles.*

**Communion Hymn: "I Come with Joy" ELW 482**

**\*Post Communion Blessing:**

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

All Amen.

**\*Post Communion Prayer:**

L We give you thanks, generous God, for in this bread and cup we have tasted the new heaven and earth where hunger and thirst are no more. Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection, that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name.

C Amen

\*Please stand as you are able.

**\*Sending Call and Response:**

L God's work!  
C **Our hands!**  
L God's love!  
C **Our hearts!**  
L God's story!  
C **Our voices!**

**\*Benediction:**

P "Barocha" - Michael Card  
C **Amen.**

**\*Sending Hymn:** "Thine the Amen" ELW 826

**\*Dismissal:**

L Alleluia! Christ is risen.  
C **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**  
L Go in peace. Tell what God has done.  
C **Thanks be to God.**

**Announcements for May 29, 2022**

**The Church Office Will Be Closed Tomorrow, Monday, May 30 for Memorial Day.**

**This week's Prayers:** Please keep the following people in your prayers:

The community of Robb Elementary School in Uvalde, Texas

Marcia Kelly's mother, Marguerite

Sherri Elwood and family

Maria and her family in Ukraine

Arlene Murphy, Mike Metzcar's sister

Jessica Cummings

Dan Haynes

For all who are sick and suffering

Roberta Debolt

Sue Metzcar

John Paul Metzcar

Liam, 2 year-old great grandson of Nancy Brown

Stephanie and Rich Thompson

Mary Broughton

For all who are suffering with Covid

For the people of Ukraine

**Flowers at the Altar:**

The bouquets of flowers are given in memory of Charles Tester and Pr. John Malzahn by Betty Haffner.

*(If you would like to purchase a \$10 flower arrangement to decorate the altar, please fill out the flower chart on the closet door in the lobby/narthex and make sure to fill out a slip and put the slip in the envelope with your check or money and put it in the offering plate or send it to the church office. Thank you.)*

\*Please stand as you are able.

**Serving in Worship Today:****Lay Worship, Communion Assistant and Lector:** Becke Bly**Greeter:****Acolyte:** Micah Smith**Usher:** John Huff and Larry Ahlersmeyer**Altar Guild:** Rosana Scholl**Birthdays and Anniversaries for May 29 - June 4, 2022:**

Birthdays:

May 30 – Ryan Van Pelt

June 1 – Chuck Gallatin

June 4 – Amy Norris

Anniversaries:

May 31 - Jim and Nancy Thompson

**Christian Ministries Food Pantry Volunteers Needed:**

If anyone is available to volunteer at the Christian Ministries food pantry, please call the Church Office (282-0619). June days of service are June 15, 16 & 17 from 9:00am-12:30pm. Thank you.

**Time To Quilt Again:**

We're doing very well with our mission quilts this year, but it's time to "sandwich" some quilts again. We'll meet in Fellowship Hall at 9:00 on Saturday, June 4th. No talent necessary. Just come have some Christian fellowship while we tie quilts.

**Stephen Ministry:**

*"The first service that one owes to others in the fellowship consists in listening to them. Just as love of God begins with listening to His Word, so the beginning of love for the brethren is learning to listen to them. It is God's love for us that He not only give us His Word but also lends us His ear. So it is His work that we do for our brother when we learn to listen to Him. Christians, especially ministers, so often think they must always contribute something when they are in the company of others, that is the one service they have to render. They forget that listening can be a greater service than speaking." - Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Life Together*

Do you like to help those in need? Do you have a gift for listening to others share their stories? Then we need you! If you think God is calling you to use your gifts, consider becoming a Stephen Minister. Speak to Jenni Sanderfer, our Stephen Leader, in the church office or call her at 765-702-8421.

**Reds vs Cubs Game:**

Are you interested in going to a Cincinnati Reds vs The Cubs baseball game? We have two dates in mind; Saturday, August 13 at 6:40pm or Sunday, August 14 at 1:10pm. Which date works for you? Please let John Pinckney or the church office know asap. We will keep you posted on what date the group will be going to and ticket prices.