



Sunday, July 4, 2021

6th Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome to Worship and Announcements

Prelude: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" arr. by Runyan/Carter

***Confession and Forgiveness:**

P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Most merciful God,

C **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of word and sacrament in the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

*Gathering Hymn: "This Is My Song" ELW 887



1 This is my song, O God of all the na - tions,
 2 My coun - try's skies are blu - er than the o - cean,
 3 This is my prayer, O God of all earth's king - doms,



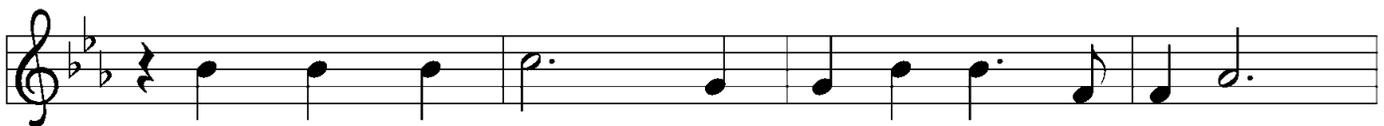
a song of peace for lands a - far and mine.
 and sun - light beams on clo - ver - leaf and pine.
 your king - dom come; on earth your will be done.



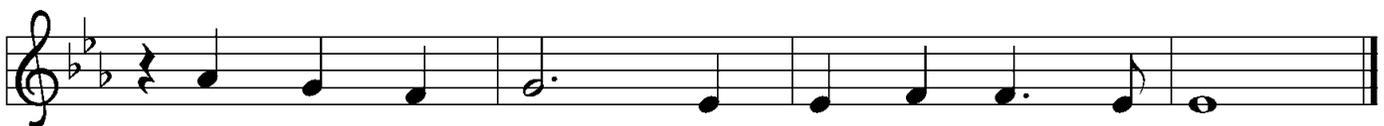
This is my home, the coun - try where my heart is;
 But oth - er lands have sun - light too, and clo - ver,
 O God, be lift - ed up till all shall serve you,



here are my hopes, my dreams, my ho - ly shrine;
 and skies are ev - 'ry - where as blue as mine.
 and hearts u - nit - ed learn to live as one.



but oth - er hearts in oth - er lands are beat - ing
 So hear my song, O God of all the na - tions,
 So hear my prayer, O God of all the na - tions;



with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.
 a song of peace for their land and for mine.
 my - self I give you; let your will be done.

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***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.**

***Prayer of the Day:**

All God of the covenant, in our baptism you call us to proclaim the coming of your kingdom. Give us the courage you gave the apostles, that we may faithfully witness to your love and peace in every circumstance of life, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Kidsword: Pastor Jerry O'Neal

Our first reading is from Ezekiel 2:1-5

In 597 BCE, the priest Ezekiel was removed into exile in Babylon. While there, he received a vision of God appearing majestically on a chariot throne. Today's reading recounts God's commissioning of Ezekiel during this vision. The prophet is to speak God's word to a people unwilling to hear.

¹[A voice] said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you.²And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. ³He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. ⁴The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, "Thus says the Lord God." ⁵Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

L Word of God. Word of life.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 123: (Read responsively between Lector and Congregation.)

¹To you I lift up my eyes, to you enthroned in the heavens.

²As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look to you, O LORD our God, until you show us your mercy.

³Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy, for we have had more than enough of contempt,

⁴too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, and of the derision of the proud.

Our second reading is from 2 Corinthians 12:2-10

Christians do not boast of their own accomplishments. Rather, Christian boasting focuses attention on how the power of Christ is present in our lives, especially in times of weakness and vulnerability. No matter what our circumstances in life, Christ's grace is sufficient for us.

²I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. ³And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows—⁴was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. ⁵On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my

*Please stand as you are able.

own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. ⁶But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, ⁷even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. ⁸Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, ⁹but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. ¹⁰Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

L Word of God. Word of life. C **Thanks be to God.**

***Gospel Acclamation:** (setting 11 in ACS)

A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya. A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya. El Se - ñor re - su - ci - tó.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ is ris - en, ris'n in - deed.

***Gospel Reading: Mark 6:1-13**

At home and abroad, Jesus and his disciples encounter resistance as they seek to proclaim God's word and relieve affliction.

P The Holy Gospel according to Mark the 6th chapter.

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

¹[Jesus] came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. ²On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, “Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! ³Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?” And they took offense at him. ⁴Then Jesus said to them, “Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house.” ⁵And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. ⁶And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. ⁷He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. ⁸He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; ⁹but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. ¹⁰He said to them, “Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. ¹¹If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.” ¹²So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. ¹³They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sermon: Pastor Jerry O'Neal

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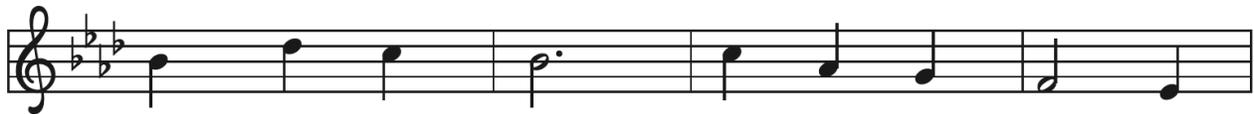
Hymn of the Day: "God's Work, Our Hands" ACS 1000



1 God's work, our hands: work - ing to - geth - er,
2 God's work, our feet: trav - 'ling to - geth - er,
3 God's work, our voice: sing - ing to - geth - er,
4 God is at work in and a - round us:



build - ing a fu - ture, re - pair - ing the world,
fol - low - ing Je - sus to plac - es un - known,
prais - ing, pro - claim - ing to all who will hear,
seed - lings are sprout - ing and bread's on the rise!



rais - ing up homes, plant - ing new gar - dens,
walk - ing as friends, march - ing for free - dom,
pray - ing for peace, shout - ing for jus - tice,
Washed and set free, hum - bled and hon - ored,



feed - ing the hun - gry and shelt - 'ring the cold.
run - ning the race with God's fu - ture the goal.
claim - ing God's love for the lost and the least.
gift - ed by grace, we re - spond in God's love.



Bless, God, our hands as we work in your name,
Bless, God, our feet as we fol - low your way,
Bless, God, our voice as we speak in your name,
Bless, God, our lives as we an - swer your call,



shar - ing the good news of your gos - pel.
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***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 "Lord, in your mercy" and your response is, "hear our prayer.."

Let us come before the triune God in prayer.

A brief silence.

God of all, through the waters of baptism you claim people of all races, ethnicities, and languages as your beloved children. Sustain the baptized and increase their faith, that your gospel may be proclaimed throughout the earth. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of the heavens, your creating Spirit animates the universe. We give you thanks for the moon and stars, for the planets and the Milky Way Galaxy, and for all of the mysteries of the cosmos that remain unknown to us. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of freedom, you have liberated us from sin and death and rescue us from all forms of spiritual, social, and political oppression. Defend us from tyrants in our midst and deliver us from all forms of slavery or corruption. Direct our freedom for works of liberation and wholeness. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of compassion, you became vulnerable in the person of Jesus Christ in solidarity with the disempowered. Strengthen those who feel faint, give courage to those who fear, and bring wholeness to those in need. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of holiness, you send us out into the world to proclaim your love. We pray for our outreach ministries, such as, Open Hands, Project Stepping Stones, and those in our community, such as, Christian Ministries, Urban Light Community Development. Equip us as we leave this place to witness and serve our neighbors. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

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God of healing, your touch has the power to make us whole. We pray for those suffering from physical or mental illness and those who are grieving. Embrace those who are sick, especially to those we now name either aloud or in the silence of our hearts (pause). Surround them with your unwavering presence. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We give you thanks that in every time and place you call forth prophets who move us towards freedom. Thank you for those who work for human rights, community organizers, and all who strive for liberty for all. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace.

Amen.

***Sharing the Peace:**

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

Offering:

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2. Go to our website www.holytrinitylutheranchurch.com and click on the green "Give" button.
3. Using your bank's online BillPay features.

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Offering Music: "Hymn" arr. by Simper/Ryan

Offertory Hymn: "The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing" ELW 531



1 The trum - pets sound, the an - gels sing, the feast is
2 Ta - bles are la - den with good things; oh, taste the
3 The hun - gry heart he sat - is - fies, of - fers the



read - y to be - gin. The gates of heav'n are o - pen wide,
peace and joy he brings. He'll fill you up with love di - vine;
poor his par - a - dise. Now hear all heav'n and earth ap - plaud



and Je - sus wel - comes you in - side.
he'll turn your wa - ter in - to wine.
the a - maz - ing good - ness of the Lord.



Sing with thank - ful - ness songs of pure de - light.



Come and rev - el in heav - en's love and light.



Take your place at the ta - ble of the King.



The feast is read - y to be - gin;



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THE FEAST IS READY

LM and refrain

***Offering Prayer:**

L Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

***The 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, 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:

“You Are Holy” ELW 525 (Sung in canon. Sing through the first time as is and then the second time sing either 1 or 2 first and then the other.)

1*

Du är he - lig, du är hel. Du är all - tid myck-et mer
 You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more

än vi nån - sin kan för - stå, du är nä - ra än - då.
 than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.

Väl - sig - nad va - re du som kom - mer hit just nu,
 Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here

väl - sig - na - de vår jord, blir till bröd på vår jord.
 to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.

2

Du är he - lig, du är hel - het,
 You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,

du är när - het he - la kos - mos lo - var dig!
 you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!

Ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na,
 Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!

ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na vår Gud.
 Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

* May be sung in canon.

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*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. 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.

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 Taste and see that the Lord is good.

Communion Hymn: "Lamb of God" (setting 11 ACS)



Cor - de - ro de Dios, tú que qui - tas el pe -
O Lamb . . of God, you . . take a - way the



ca - do del mun - do: ten pie - dad de no - so - tros.
sin of the world; . . . have . . mer - cy up - on us.



Cor - de - ro de Dios, tú que qui - tas el pe -
O Lamb . . of God, you . . take a - way the



ca - do del mun - do: ten pie - dad de no - so - tros.
sin of the world; . . . have . . mer - cy up - on us.



Cor - de - ro de Dios, tú que qui - tas el pe -
O Lamb . . of God, you . . take a - way the



ca - do del mun - do: ten pie - dad de no -
sin of the world; . . . have . . mer - cy up -



so - tros, ten pie - dad de no - so - stros.
on us, have . . . mer - cy up - on us.



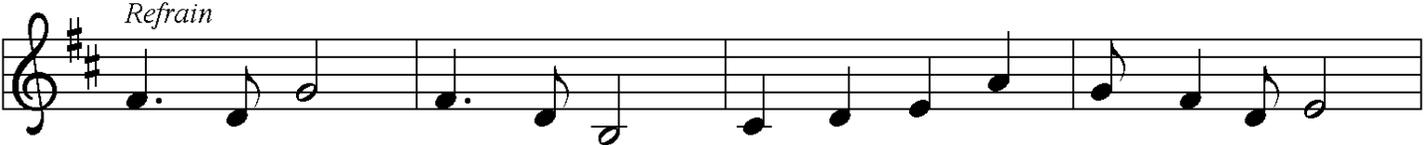
Da - nos tu paz. A - mén.
Grant us your peace. A - mén.

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. We invite you to come forward, receive the bread in your hand, and take a cup from the tray and take them back to your seat. After all have been served, we will consume Communion together. White grape juice is offered as an alternative to wine and are in the cups in the center of the tray. **Additionally, we are offering healing prayers today. If you would like us to pray for healing for you or for a loved one, please come forward to the altar rail (two per side) before receiving Communion; also, let us know if you would like us to anoint you or lay hands on you for healing.**

Communion Hymn: "Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup" ELW 492

Refrain



Eat this bread, drink this cup. Taste and see the good-ness of God.



Bread of life, cup of love, we re-joice in your pres-ence.



1 I will bless the Lord at all times, praise with heart and voice;
2 Look up - on the Lord, be ra - dian, nev - er turn a - way.
3 An - gels fold their wings a - round us, guard through good and ill.
4 Saints of God, bow down and wor - ship, bless the ho - ly name.

Refrain



in my God I glo - ry for - ev - er: lis - ten and re - joice!
God will save in ev - 'ry af - flic - tion, hear us when we pray.
Those who seek the Lord will lack noth - ing; taste, and have your fill.
Rise to tell God's great - ness for - ev - er, won - drous deeds pro - claim!

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***Post Communion Blessing:**

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

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All Amen.

***Post Communion Prayer:**

L O God, in this holy communion you have welcomed us into your presence, nourished us with words of mercy, and fed us at your table. Amid the cares of this life, strengthen us to love you with all our heart, serve our neighbors with a willing spirit, and honor the earth you have made; through Christ our Lord.

C Amen

***Sending Call and Response:**

L God's work!

C **Our hands!**

L God's love!

C **Our hearts!**

L God's story!

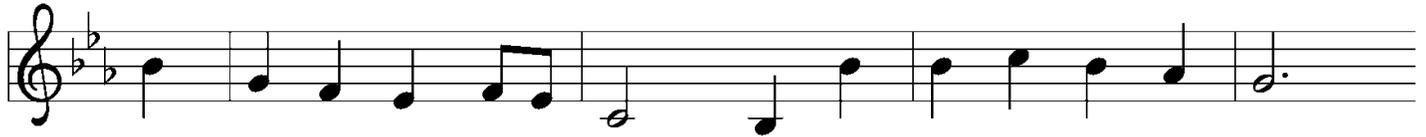
C **Our voices!**

***Benediction:**

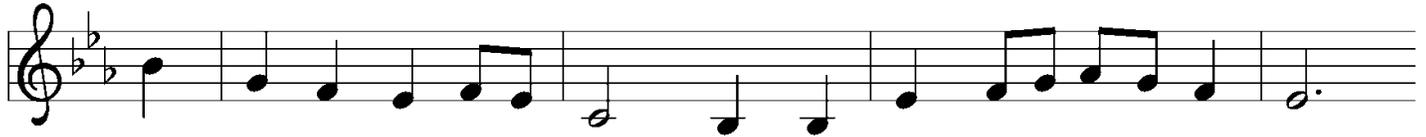
P Barocha" - Michael Card

C Amen.

***Sending Hymn: "We All Are One in Mission" ELW 576**



1 We all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call,
2 We all are called for ser - vice, to wit - ness in God's name.
3 Now let us be u - nit - ed, and let our song be heard.



our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.
Our min - is - tries are dif - f'rent; our pur - pose is the same:
Now let us be a ves - sel for God's re - deem - ing Word.



A sin - gle great com - mis - sion com - pels us from a - bove
to touch the lives of oth - ers with God's sur - pris - ing grace,
We all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call,



to plan and work to - geth - er that all may know Christ's love.
so ev - 'ry folk and na - tion may feel God's warm em - brace.
our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.

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Music: KUORTANE, Finnish folk tune

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***Dismissal:**

L Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Announcements for July 4, 2021

Birthdays and Anniversaries for the week of July 4-10:

Birthdays:

July 4 – Larry Ahlersmeyer

July 9 – Ben Sanderfer

Anniversaries:

July 8 – Clyde, Sr. and Debbie Stafford

July 9 – John and Jane Beekman

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

Dennis Dail, Jan Segedy's brother

Helen Merz, Rosemary Martin's sister

John and Becky Martin, Rosemary Martin's brother and sister in-laws

Juanita McConnell, John Kelly's mother

Gary Manning, Pr. Matt Manning's father

Phill Parsons, friend of the Huff family

Joanne Cameron and family

Carl Finchum Jr., Virginia Finchum's son

Glenna Belcher, Sister of Mary Broughton

Mary Broughton

Kent Windmiller, Karen Wenger's brother

Walking Group:

Time Change, the walking group will start at **8 am** on Tuesdays for the Summer. We meet in the church parking lot for a brief devotion and prayer prior to our walk on the White River Greenway. Come and join us and bring friends, all are welcome. If you need new tracking cards they are located in the entry-way in the small wooden basket. Come & join us! Linda Hamilton, Parish Nurse

From Outreach

APPRECIATE A FAN DAY is coming soon!

It will be the climax of our first Box Fan Action Team Drive. We will help cool our friends in need this summer with a box fan on Saturday, July 17, at 9:00 am. It is one per vehicle, and we'll give until they are gone.

A Thrivent grant will start the drive, and the rest is up to us. If you would like to participate, you are invited to buy a fan and bring it to the lower level, near the church office. Drop it off any time from now until the day of giving. They are about \$20 at local stores. Of course, if you want to give one and need us do the shopping, that's good too. Just note "fan drive" on your check. Thank you.

Join us for a Holy Trinity Family and Friends Bike Ride:

It's time to dust off those bicycles! Bring your bikes or ride your bikes to our gathering at 1:00pm on Sunday, August 15 at the Cardinal Greenway Depot, 700 E Wysor St, Muncie, IN 47305 for a family-friendly bike ride on the Cardinal Greenway. Fun for all ages!

Flowers at the Altar:

The flowers at the altar are given by Laura Adamson in honor of her granddaughters, Emily and Brooke Roberts' baptisms.

(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.)

Serving in Worship Today:

Lay Worship Leader and Lector: Roger Hollands

Communion Assistant: Dawn-Marie Oberly

Acolyte: Adrian Collins

Ushers: Tom Collins

Greeter: Dawn-Marie Oberly

Altar Guild: Ann Santoni and Diane Calvin

Faith in the Real World:

Have you wondered how our faith makes a difference in our lives *outside* of church? As I often say, faith should *inform* our personal and collective lives, rather than vice versa. To that end, I'd like to invite you to join me for a conversation around an important real-world topic: **Youth and Opportunity**. As the parent of two young adult children, I have heard them express that they are entering a world in which it is more difficult for them to succeed than it was for previous generations. This seems like a timely topic for us all to discuss here at Holy Trinity.

I will introduce the topic in my sermon on Sunday, July 11. Then after worship that day, I invite you to stay for conversation around the issue. We'll be using the guide from the National Issues Forum as a base for our discussion (<https://www.nifi.org/en/issue-guide/youth-and-opportunity>). Your ideas will then form the basis for my sermon on Sunday, July 18. Join me as we discuss this issue facing our community and nation. Thank you so much! *Shalom, Pastor Jerry*