

**June 2, 2024**  
**2nd Sunday after Pentecost**

**PRELUDE** “Piano Sonata in c, mov. II” Beethoven

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MUSIC APPRECIATION**

**INTROIT** “With a Joyful Heart” Geschke  
Sanctuary Bells

**OPENING SENTENCES**

Sing aloud to God our strength. Ps. 81:1  
Shout for joy; raise a song!  
With Miriam, we will sound the tambourine. Ps. 81:2a  
From new moon to full moon, Ps. 83:3, 6  
we praise the God who has freed our hands  
from the brick baskets of Egypt.  
With Moses we praise God, Ps. 81:16  
who feeds us with the finest of wheat  
and with honey from the rock.  
Let us worship God!

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

+**HYMN: GTG #641** “When in Our Music God Is Glorified” ENGELBERG

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God of the outstretched arm,  
though you lead us into freedom,  
we choose again and again the chains of sin.  
Forgive us, we pray,  
for bowing to the false gods of our time:  
We believe we have made ourselves,  
rather than being made in your image—  
the work of your hands.  
We practice legalism against others,  
yet expect exceptions for ourselves.  
We rest in ease,  
while others bear heavy burdens on our behalf.  
Heal us where we are withered  
in hand or heart or faith.  
Stretch us beyond what we have managed or imagined,  
to live as you intend and command.  
In the name of Christ, who came to set us free. Amen.

**SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION**

**DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

... is visible and at work in us. **Thanks be to God! Amen.**

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

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

**RECOGNITION OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES**

Andrew Mackey and Gift Tayong Lori Filka

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

“Holy, Holy, Holy” arr. Eithun  
Sanctuary Bells

*Young children are dismissed to Kids Church*

**INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE**

*Luke 13:29; 24:30-31*

**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.**  
...  
... we proclaim together the mystery of faith:  
**Christ has died,**  
**Christ has risen,**  
**Christ will come again.**  
...

**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

*1 Cor. 11:23-26*

**COMMUNION**

*All are welcome at the table of the Lord. Partake of the bread when it comes to you, mindful of your communion with Christ. Hold the cup and we will all drink together, mindful of our communion with one another.*

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Holy and eternal God,  
you are as far away as the distant stars  
and as close as our breath.  
You meet us at this table  
and we discover our hearts burning within us.  
Go with us as we leave this place,  
so that your light and your life  
may shine brightly for all to see. Amen.

*Older children are dismissed to Kids Church*

**INVITATION TO OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY**

“Waltz No. 2” Schubert

+**RESPONSE: GTG #606**

OLD HUNDREDTH

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

+**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

+**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

from *The Heidelberg Catechism*  
(Germany, 1563)

81. Who should come to the Lord’s table?  
Those who are displeased with themselves because of their sins, but who nevertheless trust that their sins are pardoned and that their remaining weakness is covered by the suffering and death of Christ, and who also desire more and more to strengthen their faith and to lead a better life.

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON** Deuteronomy 5:12-15 O.T. page 128

**PSALM** Psalm 81:1-10 O.T. page 417

**NEW TESTAMENT LESSON** 2 Corinthians 4:5-12 N.T. page 138

**GOSPEL LESSON** Mark 2:23-3:6 N.T. page 28

**RESPONSE TO SCRIPTURE**

Holy wisdom, holy word. **Thanks be to God.**

**ANTHEM**

“My Jesus” Pardo / West / Wilson  
arr. Wise

**SERMON**

“The Seventh Day Is a Sabbath...” Rev. Bill Pinches

+**HYMN: GTG #746**

“Send Me, Jesus” THUMA MINA

+**CHARGE**

... the life of Jesus that is being made visible in you. **Amen.** 2 Cor. 4:7, 10-11

+**BLESSING**

... and the peace of God rest upon you, now and always. **Alleluia!**

**CHORAL BENEDICTION**

“For the Beauty of the Earth” Rutter

**POSTLUDE**

“Intermezzo in e” Pounce

*You are invited to join us  
for fellowship and refreshments  
after worship in the Memorial Room.  
It is not necessary to remain seated during the postlude.*

**SERVING US TODAY**

**Communion Servers:** Ginnie Gibson, Emelia and Tim Hammond,  
Linda Peterson, and Steve Sowles  
**Greeters:** Emelia and Tim Hammond  
**Next Week’s Greeters:** Mary and Will Ozee  
**Sound:** Marty Subject  
**Livestream:** Tami Chapman  
**Security:** Dan Baker

## CHURCH HISTORY IN MINIATURE

#87. *Jewish Revolt (Part 6)*: After a five-month siege of Jerusalem, General Titus's forces burn the Temple to the ground. A few weeks later the whole city is destroyed. (Aug. 30, AD 70)

## THE STUDY CATECHISM

**Question 11. When the creed speaks of "God the Father," does it mean that God is male?**

No. Only creatures having bodies can be either male or female. But God has no body, since by nature God is Spirit. Holy Scripture reveals God as a living God beyond all sexual distinctions. Scripture uses diverse images for God, female as well as male. We read, for example, that God will no more forget us than a woman can forget her nursing child (Is. 49:15). "As a mother comforts her child, so will I comfort you," says the Lord" (Is. 66:13).

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### EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday	Mission Committee	4:00 pm
Wednesday	Lunch Packing for Advent House	10:15 am
	Prayer Fellowship (in the Chapel)	12:00 pm
Thursday	Administration Committee	7:00 pm
Friday	Church Office closed / Pastor's Sabbath	

### BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Rex Hauser	June 3
Donna Archer	June 5
Emelia Hammond	June 7
Katharine Wise	June 7

Today's flowers are given by the Carter family  
in memory of Elaine and Lennie Carter

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The fruit of the Spirit  
is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity,  
faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.  
(Galatians 5:22-23)