22nd Sunday after Pentecost October 20, 2024



Dinkey Memorial Evangelical Lutheran Church

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# Dinkey Memorial Evangelical Lutheran Church Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's work. Our hands.

To all who are lonely and need fellowship; to all who are discouraged and need good news; to all who mourn and need comfort; to all who are tempted and need help; to all who are sinners and need forgiveness; to all who are complacent and need disturbing; to all who thirst for the water of life; to all who love Christ and would follow Christ, Dinkey Memorial Evangelical Lutheran Church opens its arms and bids you welcome!

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

# **NOISY OFFERING**

# GATHERING

# **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 forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

# Amen.

Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing. *Silence is kept for reflection.* 

Gracious God,

have mercy on us. We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues. The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes. In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen. God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven. Amen.

# PEACE

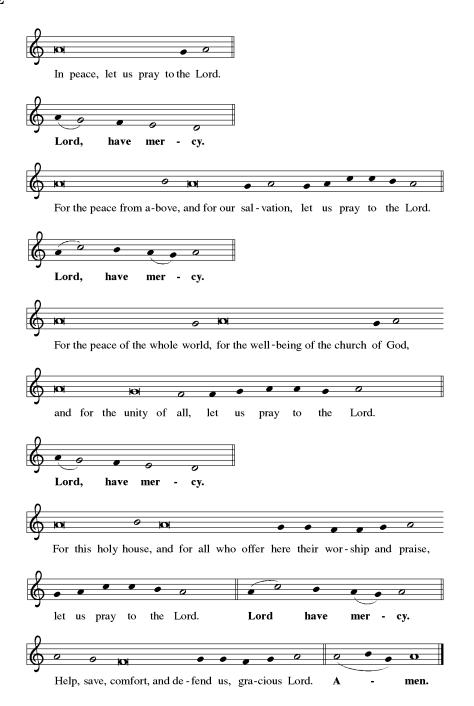
*The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.* The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.** 

# GATHERING SONG Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us (ELW 789)

# GREETING

*During this time, the presiding minister and the assembly greet each other.* 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.** 

#### **KYRIE**



#### **CANTICLE OF PRAISE**



#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

Sovereign God, you turn your greatness into goodness for all the peoples on earth. Shape us into willing servants of your kingdom, and make us desire always and only your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

# WORD

# FIRST READING: Lamentations 3:22-33

The reading may be announced:

22 The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases, his mercies never come to an end;

23 they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

24 "The LORD is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him."

25 The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him.

26 It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD.

27 It is good for one to bear the yoke in youth,

28 to sit alone in silence when the Lord has imposed it,

29 to put one's mouth to the dust (there may yet be hope),

30 to give one's cheek to the smiter, and be filled with insults.

31 For the Lord will not reject forever.

32 Although he causes grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love;

33 for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.

The reading may be concluded:

The word of the Lord.

The assembly responds:

Thanks be to God.

# PSALM: Psalm 121:1-8

1 I lift up my eyes to the hills from where will my help come?

## 2 My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

3 He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.

4 He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

5 The LORD is your keeper;

the LORD is your shade at your right hand.

- 6 The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.
- 7 The LORD will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.
- 8 The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and forevermore.

# SECOND READING: 1 Peter 5:6-11

The reading may be announced:

6 Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time.

7 Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you.

8 Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour.

9 Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering.

10 And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you.

11 To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

The reading may be concluded:

The word of the Lord.

The assembly responds:

Thanks be to God.

# **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



#### GOSPEL: Matthew 11:28-30

The gospel is announced.

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

#### Glory to you, O Lord.

28 [Jesus said,] "Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.

29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

30 For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

#### The gospel concludes:

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

# LAYING ON OF HANDS & ANOINTING

Those who wish to receive the laying on of hands and anointing may come to the front of the worship space and, if possible, kneel. The minister lays both hands on each person's head and recites a prayer, after which the minister dips a thumb in oil, makes the sign of the cross on the person's forehead, and says a blessing.

There are other stations located throughout the worship space. There are prayer rocks in the baptismal for anyone who wishes to take one. Another station has candles on the table that can be lit as you offer a prayer to God. The final station has wooden crosses that can be taken and used for prayer. Please make use of these stations throughout the laying on of hands.

After all have returned to their places, the minister prays:

As you are anointed with this oil, may God bless you with the healing power of the Holy Spirit.

May God forgive you your sins, release you from suffering, and restore you to wholeness and strength.

May God deliver you from all evil, preserve you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

# HYMN OF THE DAY There is a Balm in Gilead (ELW 614)

#### **APOSTLES CREED**

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.

## PRAYER

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Challenged by God's Word in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and the whole creation.

#### A brief silence.

Holy One, we give thanks for all servant leaders of the church. Bless bishops, pastors, and deacons with humble wisdom and ground them in your love. God of grace,

#### hear our prayer.

Creative One, we give thanks for the delicate balance of the natural world. Kindle in us a spirit of caring strength in the preservation of habitats, food availability, and centers of refuge, that all wildlife may thrive. God of grace,

#### hear our prayer.

Empowering One, fill the leaders of governments with a spirit of service that prioritizes those on the margins due to job loss, underemployment, unsafe working conditions, and immigration status. May economic equity be achieved for all people. God of grace, **hear our prayer.** 

Restoring One, send your angels to watch over, rescue, and protect those who are injured or ill. Nurse those who suffer hardship, disease, injury, or difficulty with your comfort and peace. God of grace,

## hear our prayer.

Abiding One, you call pastors to shepherd the congregation toward faithful living as servants and followers of Jesus. Inspire all ordained ministers and seminarians to ministry that challenges, engages, and comforts those in their care. God of grace,

# hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Saving One, we give thanks for the disciples James and John and all saints who have faithfully served you. We rejoice in a promised place at the feast of victory that we receive by your grace alone. God of grace,

#### hear our prayer.

Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in the saving grace you freely give, both now and forever.

# Amen.

# LORD'S PRAYER

# The presiding minister may introduce the Lord's Prayer.

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

# **MUSICAL SELECTION**

#### **OFFERING**



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## **OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 

## SENDING

#### BLESSING

God all mighty, God most merciful + bless you, keep you, and give you peace. Amen.

## SENDING SONG O Master, Let Me Walk with You (ELW 818)

## **DISMISSAL** The worship has ended, let the service begin. Go in peace. Follow Jesus. **Thanks be to God.**

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# DINKEY MEMORIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS October 20, 2024

*The Altar Flowers* are sponsored today by Linda Miller in memory of parents, Russell & Myrtle Fisher.

*The Bulletins* are sponsored today by Irene Wenner in memory of father, Herman Steigerwalt.

*Devotions Booklet*s are sponsored for October by Linda Miller in memory of parents, Russell & Myrtle Fisher.

Flower and bulletin charts for **2024** are on the bulletin board above the stairs. You may either sign up on the charts or by calling the office at 610-377-4242. It is appreciated if you pay for your sponsorship by the end of the month that you have sponsored. All weeks are open for the Memorial Bowl. It is very important for flower sponsors to return the cans and plastic gold bowls that they take the flowers home in. Thank you very much for your cooperation.

#### **Office Hours:**

Monday, Thursday, Friday 9:00AM to 2:00PM (610)377-4242

#### The Week Ahead:

9:00AM	22nd Sunday after Pentecost Worship
12:30PM	Confirmation (D)
6:00PM	Ladies Aide
9:00AM	Morning Prayer
9:30AM	Bible Study
6:30PM	Choir
9:00AM	<b>Reformation Sunday Worship</b>
	12:30PM 6:00PM 9:00AM 9:30AM 6:30PM

Noisy Offering to benefit East Penn Township Volunteer Fire Co.

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY! October 20 to October 26

10/20 Dallas Biegley 10/20 Kendall Bonser 10/20 Nora Bonser 10/20 Sherri Bowman 10/20 Toni Leiby 10/21 Darrin Arndt 10/21 Michael Bowman 10/21 Luella Ware 10/24 Emerick McArdle 10/24 Joan Reinheimer 10/25 Lori Barron 10/25 Reese Freundt 10/25 Aubrey Watts 10/26 Adalynn Curran 10/26 Anthony LeBlanc Jr 10/26 Wesley Mertz 10/26 Patricia Schleicher

**Free Thanksgiving Meal**: Five churches, Zion Stone West Penn, St Peter's West Penn, St John's Mahoning, Dinkey Memorial Ashfield and Ben Salem UCC Andreas are sponsoring a free Thanksgiving meal on Saturday November 23, 2024. This will be a drive-thru pickup at Ben Salem UCC 1965 Church Hill Rd. Lehighton, PA. 18235 from 2 to 5pm that day. You must pre-register to receive your free meal by calling Nancy Meiser at 570-205-9267, Monday thru Friday from 9am to 4 pm. There are a limited number of meals available. Deadline to register is Sunday, November 10, 2024.

<u>Anniversary Celebration</u>: In 2026 Dinkey Memorial will be celebrating the 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the founding of the congregation in 1851. A team is being formed to coordinate the celebration and we are looking for people interested in sharing the history of the congregation and having some fun while doing so. If you are interested, please speak with Pr. Tony for more information.

<u>Giant Gift Cards</u>: If you would like to purchase any Giant Gift Cards please see Kathy Steigerwalt. We receive 5% from each gift card sold.

**<u>Fundraising</u>**: Dinkey is selling Streak free cloths; \$5 each. Please see Jan in the office if interested. Dinkey is also selling Zook's frozen meat pies; chicken & sausage are \$7, beef is \$8; pick up every Sunday from 10:00 - 11:30 in the social hall.

**<u>Fundraising</u>**: Dinkey is selling Apple Dumplings \$5.00 each or 2 for \$9.00; order by Sunday, October  $20^{\text{th}}$ , pick up on Wednesday, October  $30^{\text{th}}$  from 3:00 - 6:00PM. Order sheets in the back of church.

**Fundraising**: Dinkey is selling pumpkin rolls for \$9.00 and filling for \$9.00 a quart and \$35 a pan. Order by November 10, 2024; pick up on Monday, November 25, 2024 from 2:00-5:00PM or Tuesday, November 26, 2024 from 4:00-6:00PM. Order sheets in the back of church.

**Donut Sale**: St John's is selling donuts; order by October 20, 2024, pick up on November 6, 2024. Order sheet in the back of church.

**Spaghetti Dinner**: Dinkey will be having a spaghetti dinner on Tuesday, November 5, 2024 from 4:00-7:00PM. Meal includes spaghetti, salad bar, roll, beverage and dessert. Cost is \$12 for adults, \$8 for children 5-12 and under 5 is free.

<u>Seeker Session</u>: New members classes will be on October 20, 2024 at Dinkey and October 27, 2024 at St John's from 5:00 - 7:00 for anyone wishing to become a member of either church.

<u>Noah</u>: There will be a bus trip on Wednesday, May 7, 2025 to Sight and Sound to see Noah. The cost is \$141 per person which covers, the bus, driver gratuity, ticket to Noah and Yoder's Buffet. If you are interested, please contact Deb Sheckler (484)866-3710.

There are October newsletters in the back of the church.

**<u>FYI</u>**: We have changed our mailing address from P O Box 250, Ashfield, PA 18212 to **1742 Dinkey Road, Lehighton, PA 18235**. Please begin using this address on all correspondence.

#### MILITARY PERSONNEL FROM OR ASSOCIATED WITH DINKEY MEMORIAL

SSgt. Noah K. Kunkel 379 ECES/CEE Unit 61205 APO AE 09309-1205 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Benjamin Cordova, 9300 Valencia St., Tucson, AZ 85747

#### HOMEBOUND MEMBERS

Pinky Green	Ruth Keck	Gordon Scherer
Tess Hinger	Debbie Meckel	Debbie Strohl

#### SICK/HOSPITALIZED/SPECIAL NEEDS MEMBERS AND FRIENDS

Eli Bowland Willard Doll Lauren Dugan Candy Everett Family of Edward Finney Joseph Gorman Pinky Green Sonny Hack Stephen Hoffman Hurricane Victims Joe Kluk Deb Lilly Brian Schell Kenny Schleicher Lukas Schleicher Todd Schleicher Madalin Smale Sherry Smith Patti Walck Altar Guild: We are in need of people willing to help with the altar guild. Responsibilities include setting up and cleaning up communion, refilling candles, updating the hymn boards, and changing paraments. Our goal is to form altar guild teams that will rotate on a monthly basis. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Pr. Tony (610-377-4242 or prdinklc@ptd.net).

# We are in need of volunteers as greeters/ushers, lectors, communion assistants and altar guild. Please let the office know if you are willing to volunteer.

#### **WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS**

<u>Ministers</u> :	The Congregation
Pastor:	Reverend Anthony Pagotto
Music Director:	Bridgette Gorman
<u>Greeters</u> :	Frey
Acolytes:	Derek Spitzer
Lector:	Luella Ware
Worship Participants for October 27, 2024:	
<u>Greeters</u> :	Wetzel
Acolytes:	Addisyn Kirkendall
	Mason Spitzer
Lector:	Karen Wetzel
Communion Assistants:	Carol Steber
	Kurt Steigerwalt

#### Savior, like A Shepherd Lead Us



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#### There Is a Balm in Gilead





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