9th Sunday after Pentecost July 21, 2024



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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, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

Amen.

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin. *Silence is kept for reflection.*

God, our provider, help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen. Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, + the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. 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 My Shepherd, You Supply My Need (page 11)

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.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

The assembly is seated

WORD

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 23:1-6

The reading may be announced:

A reading from Jeremiah.

Jeremiah prophesied before the exile in 587 BCE. In this passage, he uses the metaphor of a shepherd to describe the bad kings who have scattered the "flock" of Israel. God promises to gather the flock and to raise up a new king from David's line to save Israel and Judah.

¹ Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. ² Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. ³ Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴ I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

⁵ The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶ In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

The reading may be concluded: The word of the Lord. *The assembly responds:* **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 23

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want. (Ps. 23:1)

¹ The LORD | is my shepherd;

I shall not be in want.

- ² The LORD makes me lie down ¹ in green pastures and leads me be-¹ side still waters.
- ³ You restore my | soul, O LORD,

and guide me along right pathways | for your name's sake.

⁴ Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall | fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they | comfort me. R

⁵ You prepare a table before me in the presence | of my enemies;

you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is ⁺running over.

⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days ¹ of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the ¹ LORD forever. R

SECOND READING: Ephesians 2:11-22

The reading may be announced:

A reading from Ephesians.

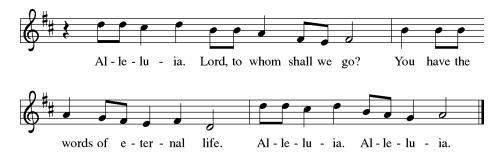
The author of this letter reminds his audience that originally they were not part of God's chosen people. Through Jesus' death, however, they are included in God's household of faith, whose cornerstone is Jesus Christ.

¹¹ Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision"—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—12 remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³ But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴ For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. ¹⁵ He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶ and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. ¹⁷ So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; ¹⁸ for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹ So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, ²⁰ built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. ²¹ In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; ²² in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

The reading may be concluded:

The word of the Lord. *The assembly responds:* **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

The gospel is announced.

The holy gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

When Jesus sends his disciples out to teach and heal, they minister among large numbers of people. Their work is motivated by Christ's desire to be among those in need.

³⁰ The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹ He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³² And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³ Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. ³⁴ As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

⁵³ When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. ⁵⁴ When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, ⁵⁵ and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶ And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

The gospel concludes:

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us (page 12)

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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

One in the communion of saints and in the power of the Holy Spirit, we join our voices in prayer.

A brief silence.

For the church of Jesus Christ in this and every land: Through the One who is the cornerstone of a firm foundation, join us together and build us up as a temple of mercy and peace. In your mercy,

hear our prayer.

For the creation: Cause new trees to be planted. Restrain the melting of polar ice caps. Save land from destruction. Like a shepherd tends her sheep, raise up from among us caretakers of all you have made. In your mercy,

hear our prayer.

For the leaders of nations and heads of tribes (*especially*): Where peace seems far off, bring it near. Where justice seems fleeting, bring it to light. Where discord seems relentless, bring harmony. In your mercy,

hear our prayer.

For the health and well-being of family, friends, and neighbors: Heal those who are sick (*especially*). Give courage to all who struggle with addiction. Touch with your tender care all who reach out to you in pain. In your mercy,

hear our prayer.

For this assembly and for the faith communities represented this week at the ELCA Youth Gathering: Nurture the faith of young people as they encounter new experiences and people. Break down dividing walls and inspire collaboration among people of every age. In your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

In thanksgiving for those who have died (*especially*): Make us certain that in Christ we are no longer strangers and aliens but citizens with the saints in the household of God. In your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Holy God, holy and merciful: into your outstretched arms we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in the one who is the way, the truth, and the life, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

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.

PRAYER

OFFERING



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OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

SENDING

BLESSING

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, + be upon you now and forever. Amen.

SENDING SONG The Church's One Foundation (page 13)

DISMISSAL

The worship has ended, let the service begin. Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**



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DINKEY MEMORIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS July 21, 2024

The Altar Flowers are not sponsored today.

The Bulletins are sponsored today by Irene Wenner in memory of mother, Helen Steigerwalt.

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:

The office will be closed from July 22, 2024 through July 26, 2024 due to vacation.

The Week Ahead:

Today	9:00AM	9th Sunday after Pentecost Worship
Tuesday	6:00PM	Ladies Aid
Wednesday	9:00AM	Morning Prayer
Sunday	9:00AM	10 th Sunday after Pentecost Worship

Noisy offering to benefit Carbon County Friends of Animals.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! July 21 to July 27

07/21 Bonnie David	07/23 Aaron Moyer
07/21 Dennis Smith	07/23 John Rupell
07/22 Max McCandless	07/23 Susan Tertel
07/22 Kathy Steigerwalt	07/24 Christopher Ruch
07/23 Terry Blose	07/25 Gabriella Perez
07/23 Autumn Graver	07/26 Bella Moyer

<u>CPR Training</u>: Dinkey will be offering CPR training on Sunday August 11, 2024 from 12:30 to 4:30 PM. If you are interested, please sign up on the sheet at the back of the church.

<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 and Rita's Fundraiser cards; \$5 each. Please see Karen Schleicher if interested.

Spaghetti Dinner: There will be a spaghetti dinner on Saturday, July 27, 2024 at St John's Mahoning to benefit the North 1st Street fire victims. The dinner will be from 4:00-7:00PM; cost is \$12 for adults, \$8 for children 5-12 and under 5 is free.

<u>**Car Show**</u>: We will be having a fundraiser car show on August 10, 2024 (rain date August 17, 2024) from 10:00AM to 3:00PM. For more information, please see Jim Koch.

We will be having our community picnic with St John's on August 25, 2024 from 12-3 PM. Please join us for a day of fun and fellowship. Sign-up sheet is in the back of the church.

<u>Raffle</u>; Family Promise is selling tickets for their raffle. Cost of tickets is \$5.00 and they will be raffling 10 prizes. If interested in purchasing a ticket, please contact Jan in the office.

We would like to update our membership files. There are forms in the back of the church to complete and return to the office or you can contact Jan during office hours (610)377-4242.

<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 1st Lt. Benjamin Cordova, 9300 Valencia St., Tucson, AZ 85747

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS

Pinky Green Tess Hinger Peter Innervickler Ruth Keck Debbie Meckel Debbie Strohl

SICK/HOSPITALIZED/SPECIAL NEEDS MEMBERS AND FRIENDS

Eli Bowland Willard Doll Lauren Dugan Candy Everett Edward Finney Pinky Green Stephen Hoffman

Lector:

Joe Kluk Deb Lilly Charles Riley Brian Schell Gordon Scherer Family of Nate Scherer Kenny Schleicher Lukas Schleicher Madalin Smale Sherry Smith Reilly U Patti Walck Karen Wetzel

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> :	Everett
Lector:	Luella Ware
Worship Participants for July 28, 2024:	
<u>Greeters</u> :	Frey
Acolyte:	Alexis Keller

Karen Wetzel