11th Sunday after Pentecost August 4, 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

SILENT 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.

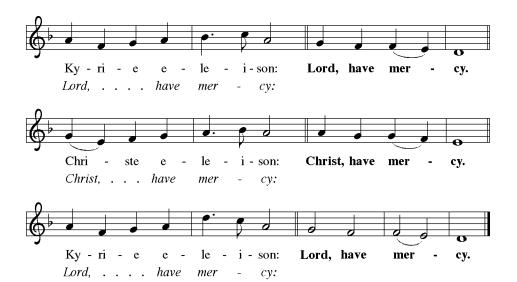
Beloved people of God:
in Jesus, the manna from heaven,
you are fed and nourished.
By Jesus, the worker of miracles,
there is always more than enough.
Through Jesus, 4- the bread of life,
you are shown God's mercy:
you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.
Amen.

GATHERING SONG Alleluia! Sing to Jesus (ELW 392)

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.

O God, eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this world in all its need with the life that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING: Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15

The reading may be announced:

A reading from Exodus.

A food crisis becomes a faith crisis for the Israelites in the wilderness. The hungry people forget God's saving work in the exodus, and they wish for the food they had in Egypt. Nevertheless, God miraculously meets their needs, with manna for bread and quail for meat.

² The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. ³ The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

⁴ Then the LORD said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not."

⁹ Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.'" ¹⁰ And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. ¹¹ The LORD spoke to Moses and said, ¹² "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.'"

¹³ In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. ¹⁴ When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. ¹⁵ When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat." *The reading may be concluded:*

The word of the Lord.

The assembly responds:

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 78:23-29

God rained down manna from heaven; so mortals ate the bread of angels. (Ps. 78:24, 25)

- ²³ So God commanded the | clouds above and opened the | doors of heaven,
- ²⁴ raining down manna upon | them to eat and giving them | grain from heaven. R
- ²⁵ So mortals ate the | bread of angels; God provided for them | food enough.
- ²⁶ The LORD caused the east wind to blow in the heavens and powerfully led out the south wind,
- ²⁷ raining down flesh upon | them like dust and flying birds like the sand | of the seas,
- ²⁸ letting them fall in the midst | of the camp and round a- | bout the dwellings.
- ²⁹ So the people ate and | were well filled, for God gave them | what they craved. **R**

SECOND READING: Ephesians 4:1-16

The reading may be announced:

A reading from Ephesians.

Christians share fundamental unity and diversity. Our unity consists in the one body, one Spirit, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God. Our diversity is expressed in various forms of ministry whose goal is equipping the saints and building up Christ's one body.

- ¹ I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ² with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³ making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴ There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, ⁵ one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶ one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.
- ⁷ But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. ⁸ Therefore it is said,
 - "When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people."

⁹ (When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? ¹⁰ He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) ¹¹ The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, ¹² to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, ¹³ until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. ¹⁴ We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. ¹⁵ But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, ¹⁶ from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

The reading may be concluded:

The word of the Lord.

The assembly responds:

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: John 6:24-35

The gospel is announced.

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Many of the five thousand people Jesus fed in the wilderness continued to follow him throughout the countryside. Jesus challenges them to consider the real nature of their quest.

²⁴ When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were [beside the sea,] they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

²⁵ When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" ²⁶ Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. ²⁷ Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." ²⁸ Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" ²⁹ Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." ³⁰ So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? ³¹ Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.' " ³² Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³ For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." ³⁴ They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

³⁵ Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

The gospel concludes:

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer (ELW 618)

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,* who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Calling on the spirit of Wisdom to guide our hearts and our minds, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

O Wise One, your wisdom has been present in this world since its beginning. Pour out your wisdom into the hearts of the whole church, especially the newly baptized, lay leaders, deacons, pastors, and bishops. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Holy God of all creation, you are the source of all life. Where the sun blazes hard and strong, bring a gentle breeze. In the places experiencing the cold of winter, bring your warmth. Merciful God.

receive our prayer.

Compassionate God, help government leaders of this world unite for peace and justice. Humble all who hold authority, that power is directed toward a more just society. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Bread of life from heaven, you feed us. Fill all who hunger with needed nutrition and open our hearts to eliminate hunger in this world. May we see a day when all are fed. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

O Wisdom of truth, help us to understand your will for the church. Be with congregations experiencing transition, redevelopment, and the exciting yet frightening path of newness. May your wisdom be found at every step. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Redeeming God, we give you thanks for the lives and witness of your saints now departed (*especially*). Bring your beloved into eternal glory, opening wide the gates to the heavenly banquet. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

We lift up these prayers to you, gracious God. Receive them into your holy keeping. **Amen.**

MEAL

OFFERING

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

Offering Song



Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980 Music: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923

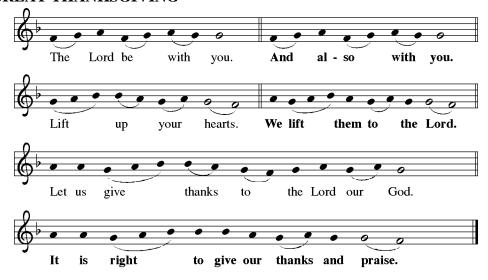
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Offering Prayer

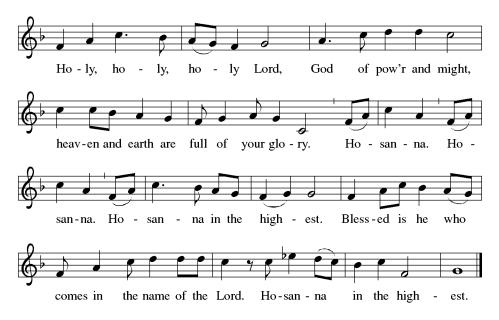
Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. **Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING



It is indeed right, our duty and our joy

...praise your name and join their unending hymn:



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.

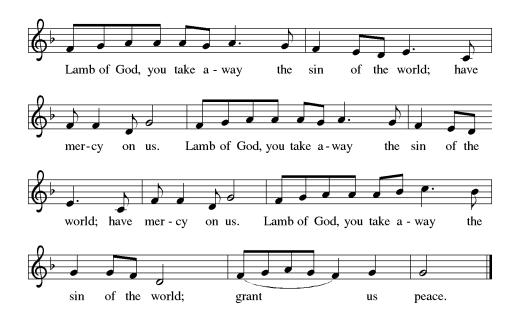
LORD'S PRAYER

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!



COMMUNION

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say
The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.
and each person may respond
Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask.
As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

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 God Be with You Till We Meet Again (ELW 536)

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 August 4, 2024

The Altar Flowers are sponsored today by Carol Steigerwalt and family in memory of Phil

The Bulletins are not sponsored today .

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:

Today	9:00AM	11th Sunday after Pentecost Worship
Wednesday	9:00AM	Morning Prayer
Thursday	9:30AM	Bible Study
Sunday	9:00AM	12th Sunday after Pentecost Worship
-	12:30PM	CPR Training

Silent offering to benefit Always on Mission.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! August 4 to August 10

08/04 Gail Christman	08/06 Alexis Keller
08/04 Raelyn Cichowicz	08/06 Addisyn Kirkendall
08/04 Damon Smith	08/06 Brooke Schleicher
08/05 Victoria Bierman	08/06 Jade Schleicher
08/05 Armell McFarland	08/07 Allen Kuehner
08/05 Keith Rothermel	08/10 Alyssa Schleicher

CPR Training: 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>Anniversary Celebration</u>: In 2026 Dinkey Memorial will be celebrating the 175th 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 contact Jan in the office if interested.

<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.

MILITARY PERSONNEL FROM OR ASSOCIATED WITH DINKEY MEMORIAL

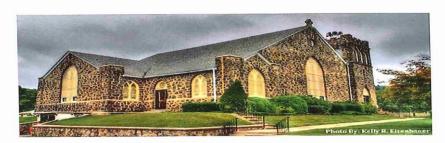
SSgt. Noah K. Kunkel 379 ECES/CEE Unit 61205 APO AE 09309-1205 1st Lt. Benjamin Cordova, 9300 Valencia St., Tucson, AZ 85747

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS

Pinky Green	Peter Innervickler	Debbie Meckel
Tess Hinger	Ruth Keck	Debbie

SICK/HOSPITALIZED/SPECIAL NEEDS MEMBERS AND FRIENDS

Sonny Hack Kenny Schleicher Eli Bowland Stephen Hoffman Lauren Dugan Lukas Schleicher Joe Kluk Candy Everett Madalin Smale **Edward Finney** Deb Lilly **Sherry Smith Brian Schell** Bridgette Gorman Patti Walck Pinky Green Gordon Scherer Karen Wetzel





at

Dinkey Memorial Church in Ashfield, PA August 10, 2024 (Rain Date August 17)

10:00 a.m. - 3:00 pm.

Trophies
Raffles



50/50 Drawings

Food

Donations Accepted.

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

Ministers: The Congregation

Pastor: Reverend Anthony Pagotto

Music Director: Bridgette Gorman

Greeters: Wetzel

Acolytes: Alexis Keller

Rylee Keller

Lector: Rich DeLuca

Communion Assistants: Kirsten Frankhouser

Lisa Kercsmar

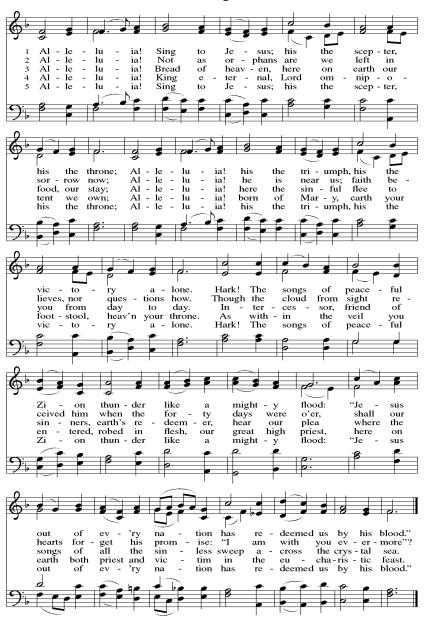
Worship Participants for August 11, 2024:

Greeters: Bierman

Acolytes: Larkin Klotz

Lector: Kirsten Frankhouser

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus



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Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer



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