

### **LOOKING AHEAD: June 18 – June 24**

Mon. 18	9:00 am	Scrapbooking & Crafts – Fellowship Hall
Tues. 19	9:30 am	Hymn Selection Mtg. – Sanctuary
Wed. 20	10:00 am	Sunday Bulletin Announcement Deadline
	Noon	Women of Faith Lunch – Joanne Huth's Home
	7:00 pm	Church Council Mtg. – The Parlour
Thurs. 21	2:00 pm	Silvercreek Community Market – Fellowship Hall
Sat. 23	1:00 – 6:00 pm	Private Rental – Sanctuary and The Parlour
Sun. 24	8:30 am	Morning Prayer – Sanctuary
	10:00 am	Service of The Word – Sanctuary

### **Staff**

Church Office Hours  
Wednesday – Friday  
9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Jennifer Liersch, Administrative Assistant  
Peter West, Organist

\*Please note summer office hours  
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9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

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## **WELCOME**

We welcome you to our worship today.

### **Hymnbooks:**

Our community uses two hymnbooks.

**(ELW)** Evangelical Lutheran Worship has a cranberry cover.

**(CP)** Common Praise has a blue cover.

You will find either **(ELW)** or **(CP)** beside each hymn number to indicate which book we are singing from.

### **Communion: All are welcome.**

Our current practice is to distribute communion in a continuous fashion. We encourage you to take the time you need when receiving both the bread and the wine. For those who desire a time of kneeling, after receiving the bread and wine, you are invited to kneel at the rail (cushions have been provided), or return to your seats and use the kneeling rails in the pews.

Grape juice and gluten free bread are also available. Please inform the communion server that you wish to receive one or both of these elements during the distribution of communion.

**No Scents Makes Good Sense.** Members have indicated that they suffer discomfort from perfumes, hair spray, colognes and after-shave lotion. Please help us provide a scent-free environment.

**We welcome all children** to our worship. We also have a child friendly space in the fellowship area at the back of the church. Drink boxes, activity bags and youth bulletins are in a basket near the entrance to the church. Please help yourself.

## **FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST / FATHER'S DAY / AFGHAN SUNDAY / INSTALLATION OF CHURCH COUNCIL Sunday, June 17, 2018**

### **GATHERING**

***The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.***

Introduction to the day

*The mustard seed becomes a great shrub that shelters the birds, recalling ancient images of the tree of life. We'd expect a cedar or a sequoia, but Jesus finds the power of God better imaged in a tiny, no-account seed. It's not the way we expect divine activity to look. Yet the tree of life is here, in the cross around which we gather, the tree into which we are grafted through baptism, the true vine that nourishes us with its fruit in the cup we share. It may not appear all that impressive, but while nobody's looking it grows with a power beyond our understanding.*

Prelude

Welcome

Acknowledgement of Territory

Processional Hymn - # **533 ELW**

Greeting

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

O God, you are the tree of life, offering shelter to all the world. Graft us into yourself and nurture our growth, that we may bear your truth and love to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

### WORD

***God speaks to us in scripture reading,  
preaching, and song.***

First Lesson – *Ezekiel 17: 22 – 24*

*Tree imagery is used in a messianic prophecy to tell how the Lord will choose someone from Judah's royal family (the cedar tree) to reign over all creation. This tree will be planted on Mount Zion, the location of the holy temple.*

A reading from Ezekiel.

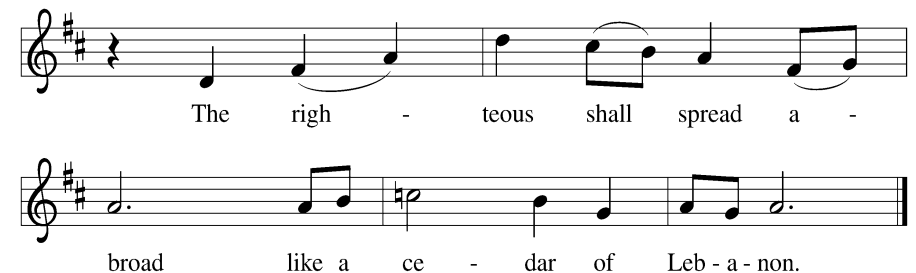
Thus says the Lord God: I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of a cedar; I will set it out. I will break off a tender one from the topmost of its young twigs; I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. On the mountain height of Israel I will plant it, in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar. Under it every kind of bird will live; in the shade of its branches will nest winged creatures of every kind. All the trees of the field shall know that I am the

Lord. I bring low the high tree, I make high the low tree; I dry up the green tree and make the dry tree flourish. I the Lord have spoken; I will accomplish it.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 92: 1 -4, 12 – 15



Psalm 92:12

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- <sup>1</sup>It is a good thing to give thanks | to the Lord,  
to sing praise to your name, | O Most High;  
<sup>2</sup>to herald your love | in the morning  
and your faithful- | ness at night;  
<sup>3</sup>on the psaltery, and | on the lyre,  
and to the melody | of the harp.**
- <sup>4</sup>For you have made me glad by your | acts, O  
Lord;  
and I shout for joy because of the works | of  
your hands. R**
- <sup>12</sup>The righteous shall flourish | like a palm tree,  
and shall spread abroad like a ce- | dar of**

**Lebanon.**

**<sup>13</sup>Those who are planted in the house | of the Lord**

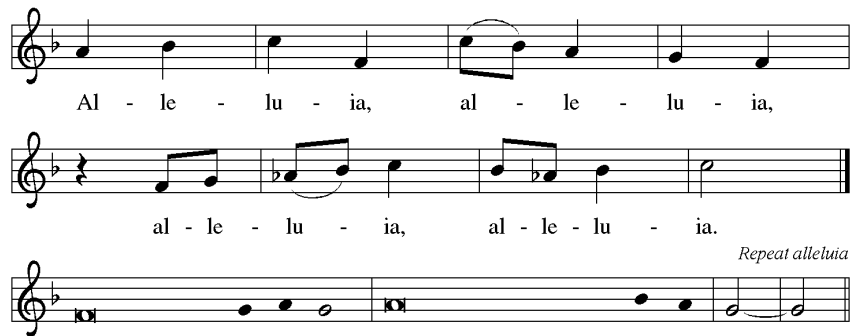
**shall flourish in the courts | of our God;**

**<sup>14</sup>they shall still bear fruit | in old age;**

**they shall be | green and succulent;**

**<sup>15</sup>that they may show how up- | right the Lord is,  
my rock, in whom there is | no injustice. R**

Gospel Acclamation



**Welcome with meekness the im- | planted  
word\* that has the power to | save your souls**

Gospel Reading – *Mark 4: 26 – 34*

*Jesus frequently uses parables to teach ordinary people  
as they are able to hear and understand. Images of  
sowing and growing show the vitality of God's kingdom.*

The holy gospel according to Mark.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*or*

**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

[Jesus] said, “The kingdom of God is as if  
someone would scatter seed on the ground, and  
would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed

would sprout and grow, he does not know how.  
The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then  
the head, then the full grain in the head. But when  
the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle,  
because the harvest has come.” He also said,  
“With what can we compare the kingdom of God,  
or what parable will we use for it? It is like a  
mustard seed, which, when sown upon the  
ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth;  
yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the  
greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large  
branches, so that the birds of the air can make  
nests in its shade.” With many such parables he  
spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear  
it; he did not speak to them except in parables,  
but he explained everything in private to his  
disciples.

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*or*

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon

Hymn of the Day - # **516 ELW**

Order of Blessing for Delegates to the Eastern Synod  
Assembly

**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.**

#### Installation of Church Council

The following people have been elected by the congregation to positions of leadership. We give thanks for their willingness to serve. In baptism we are welcomed into the body of Christ and sent to share in the mission of God; we rejoice now that these sisters and brothers will lead us in our common life and our mutual mission as a congregation.

Please come forward as your names are read:

Brian Janzen, Chair	
Carlo De Castris, Vice-Chair	
Suzanne Worthen, Secretary	
Sandra Christie, Treasurer	
Steven Ricketts	Ron Webb
Barbara Cook	Chris Heaney

Anne Stuart  
Earlby Wakefield

Kate Stuttaford  
Marilyn Bleach

*A reading from First Corinthians:* There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. (1 Corinthians 12:4-7)

You have been elected to positions of leadership and trust in this congregation.

- You are to see that the words and deeds of this household of faith bear witness to God, who gathers us into one together with the whole church.
- You are to seek to involve all members of this congregation in worship, learning, witness, service, and support, so that the mission of Christ is carried out in this congregation, in the wider church, in this community, and in the whole world.
- You are to be faithful in your specific area of serving, that the Spirit who empowers you may be glorified.
- You are to be examples of faith active in love, fostering peace, harmony, and mutual understanding in this congregation.

On behalf of your sisters and brothers in Christ, I ask you: Will you accept and faithfully carry out the duties of the offices to which you have been elected?

*Response:* I will, and I ask God to help me.

People of God, I ask you:

Will you support these, your elected leaders, and will you share in the mutual ministry that Christ has given to all who are baptized?

**We will, and we ask God to help us.**

I now declare you installed as council members of this congregation. Almighty God bless you, and direct your days and your deeds in peace, that you may be faithful servants of Christ.

**Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

Filled with the Holy Spirit, we join with the church in every place, praying for the world that God so loves.

O Most High, your divine realm is like a noble tree whose boughs and branches give shade and rest to the peoples of the earth. Make your church a nesting place for all who need your peace and healing, especially in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada, the Anglican Church of Canada and other faith communities throughout the world. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

O Most High, all the world is a garden for your creativity. Refresh places of drought with abundant rains. Strengthen and keep safe those who fight fires in your forests. Help us tend your mountains and plains, oceans and rivers with loving care. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

O Most High, you speak and your word is accomplished. Speak to the leaders of the nations so they might end cycles of violence and unrest, giving people everywhere respect and peace. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

O Most High, in Christ creation is renewed. Bring the abundant healing blessings of renewed creation into the lives of those who suffer illness or deprivation of any kind. We especially remember those we name aloud and in the silence of our hearts....Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

O Most High, your steadfast love and faithfulness sustain your people. Bless fathers and all father figures with such love and faithfulness that children flourish and grow in uprightness and joy. Bless those who long to be fathers and those for whom this day is difficult. We lift up to you our own fathers at this time.... Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

O Most High, just as the earth produces of itself and the harvest comes, you gather up your people from all times and places. Bring us along with those who have died *especially*.... into the lasting harvest of your kingdom. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

By the sure guidance of your Holy Spirit, O God, we lift up our prayers in trust and thanksgiving; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

General Order of Blessing for Graduates & Afghans

Friends in Christ: Today we give thanks to God as we gather for the blessing of these afghans and our High School graduating students.

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, ruler of the universe. You made the whole earth for your glory; all creation praises you. We lift our voices to join the songs of heaven and earth, of things seen and unseen.

We give you thanks, O God, as we set apart these afghans and High School graduates *Malcolm West, Aidan Gudmundson, Lucy Matulis, Kyla Lamb & Samuel Worthen*. Grant us faith to know your gracious purpose in all things, give us joy in them, and lead us to

the building up of your kingdom; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Saviour and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

**MEAL**

***God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.***

Offering

Offering Hymn – # **734 ELW**

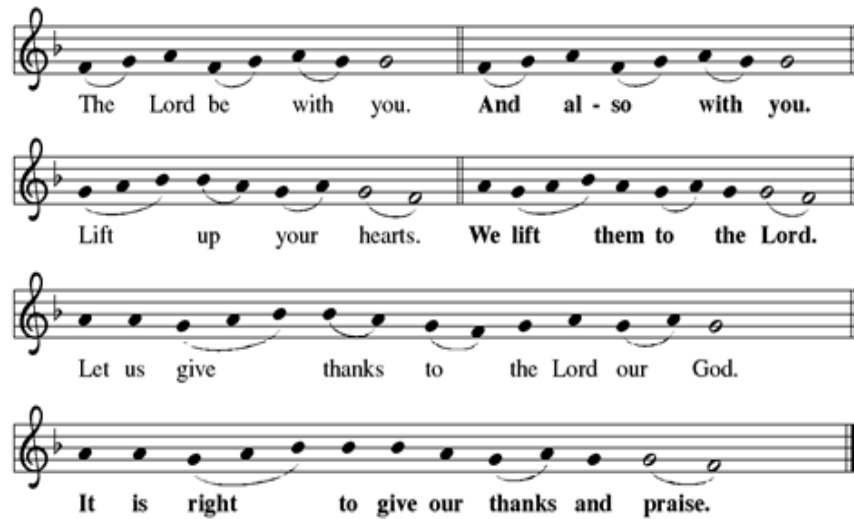
Offering Prayer

Merciful God, you open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing. You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it. Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it. We pray this through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

Great Thanksgiving

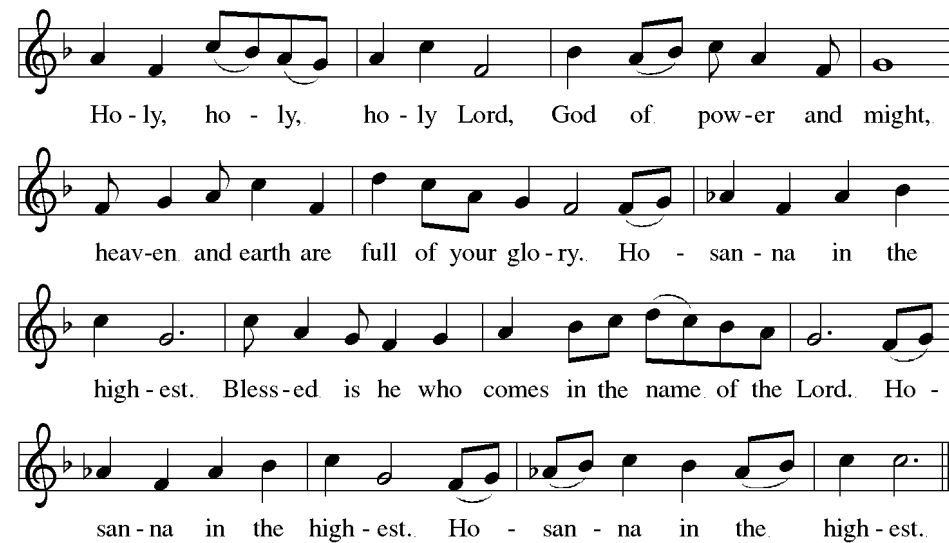
## Eucharistic Prayer



## Preface

### Holy, Holy, Holy

## The Lord's Prayer







Our Fa-ther in heav-en, hal-lowed be your name,  
 your king-dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav-en.  
 Give us to-day our dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins as we  
 for-give those who sin a-against us. Save us from the time of tri-al  
 and de-liv-er us from e-vil. For the king-dom, the pow'r,  
 and the glo-ry are yours, now and for-ev-er. A-men.

Lamb of God



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on  
 us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
 world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
 take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

## Communion Hymns

# 179 CP, # 423 CP, # 338 CP

## Table Blessing

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

**Amen.**

## Prayer after Communion

Jesus Christ, host of this meal,  
 you have given us not only this bread and cup,  
 but your very self, that we may feast on your great  
 love. Filled again by these signs of your grace,  
 may we hunger for you reign of justice, may we  
 thirst for your way of peace, for you are Lord  
 forevermore. **Amen.**

## SENDING

***God blesses us and sends us in mission to the  
 world.***

## Blessing

**The blessing of the God of life be ours.  
The blessing of the loving Christ be ours.  
The blessing of the Holy Spirit be ours to  
cherish us, to help us, to make us holy.**

## Benediction

May God, whose power working in us can do  
infinitely more than we can ask or imagine, grant  
you the gifts of faith and hope. Almighty God,  
Father, (+) Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now  
and forever.

**Amen.**

## Announcements

Sending Song - # **418 CP**

## Dismissal

Go in peace...  
**Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

## **Announcements and Information**

***June Altar Guild:*** Marisela McDougall, Brenda Scott  
& Laura F. Mann

***Greeters:*** Chris, Rizza & Hazel Heaney

***We pray for:*** **Anglican Church of Canada** –  
Archbishop Gregory Kerr-Wilson, clergy and people of  
the Ecclesiastical Province of Rupert's Land.  
**Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada** – The  
dean, council, and congregations of the Regina  
Conference of the Saskatchewan Synod.

***The flowers*** in the Chancel area are given to the Glory  
of God, in memory of our sister Kathryn Masales, who  
adored pink carnations. Given by Brenda Pilon and  
Eleanor Marriott.

***Coffee hour*** today is hosted by Chris, Rizza & Hazel  
Heaney. We offer them thanks for supporting this  
important ministry.

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