

## **Bendersville Lutheran Parish**

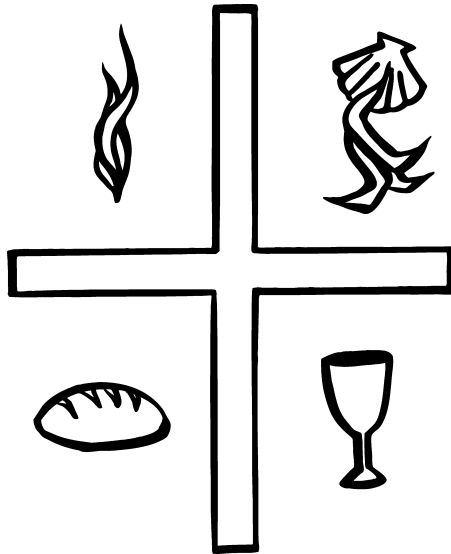
**St. James**  
Wenksville  
8:25 am

**Christ**  
Aspers  
9:45 am

**Bethlehem**  
Bendersville  
11:00 am

# **SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

• May 12, 2024 •



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

## PRELUDE

### \*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism,  
as the presiding minister begins.*

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,  
the wellspring of grace,  
our Easter and our joy.

C: **Amen.**

P: Look, here is water!

C: **Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

P: Immersed in the promises of baptism,  
let us give thanks for what God has done for us.  
We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning  
your voice thundered over the deep  
and water became the essence of life.  
Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers.  
The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day.  
Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea  
into freedom's land.  
In a desert pool the Ethiopian official  
entered your boundless baptismal life.

P: Look, here is water!

C: **Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

P: At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John  
and anointed with the Holy Spirit.  
By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection  
you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love,  
freeing us to live as Easter people.  
We rejoice with glad hearts,  
giving all honor and praise to you,  
through the risen Christ, our source of living water,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

P: Look, here is water!

C: **Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

**\*GATHERING HYMN: "Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"**


**LBW 158**

**\*GREETING**

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

**\*CANTICLE OF PRAISE**



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose  
2 Sing . . with all the peo - ple of God, and



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.  
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and  
Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to



hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.  
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

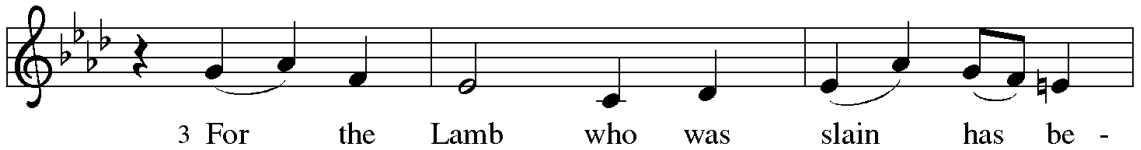
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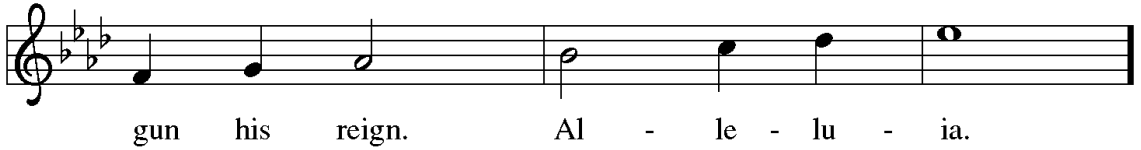
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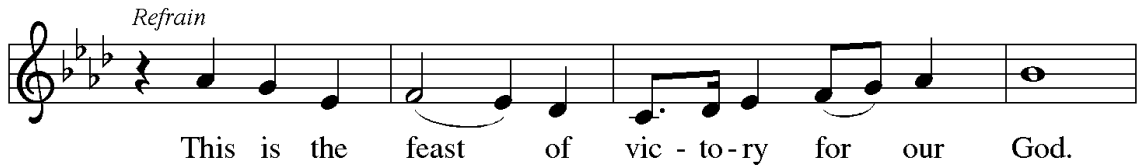
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3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.



*Refrain*  
This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

### **\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P:** Let us pray.

**C:** **Gracious and glorious God, you have chosen us as your own, and by the powerful name of Christ you protect us from evil. By your Spirit transform us and your beloved world, that we may find our joy in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*(Please be seated.)*

## FIRST READING:

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

*The First Reading is from Acts, the first chapter.*

<sup>15</sup>In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, <sup>16</sup>“Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus—<sup>17</sup>for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.”<sup>21</sup>So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, <sup>22</sup>beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.”<sup>23</sup>So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias.<sup>24</sup>Then they prayed and said, “Lord, you know everyone’s heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen <sup>25</sup>to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.”<sup>26</sup>And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM:

Psalm 1

L: Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

C: **Their delight is in the law of the LORD,  
and they meditate on God’s teaching day and night.**

L: They are like trees planted by streams of water,  
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither;  
everything they do shall prosper.

C: **It is not so with the wicked;  
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.**

L: Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

C: **For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked shall be destroyed.**

**SECOND READING:**

**1 John 5:9-13**

*The Second Reading is from First John, the fifth chapter.*

<sup>9</sup>If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. <sup>10</sup>Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. <sup>11</sup>And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. <sup>12</sup>Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

<sup>13</sup>I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

*(Please stand.)*

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

The image shows two staves of musical notation for the Gospel Acclamation. Both staves are in the treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The first staff begins with a double bar line, followed by a quarter rest, then a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, and a quarter note B4. This is followed by a series of eighth notes: G4, A4, B4, G4, A4, B4, G4, A4, B4, G4, A4, B4. The lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,' are written below the notes. The second staff begins with a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, and ends with a quarter note G4. The lyrics 'al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.' are written below the notes.

**\*GOSPEL:**

**John 17:6-21**

**P:** The Holy Gospel according to Saint John, the seventeenth chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus prayed:] <sup>6</sup>“I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. <sup>7</sup>Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; <sup>8</sup>for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. <sup>9</sup>I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. <sup>10</sup>All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. <sup>11</sup>And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. <sup>12</sup>While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. <sup>13</sup>But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. <sup>14</sup>I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. <sup>15</sup>I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. <sup>16</sup>They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. <sup>17</sup>Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. <sup>18</sup>As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. <sup>19</sup>And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.

<sup>20</sup>“I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, <sup>21</sup>that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me.”

**P:** The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

*(Please be seated.)*



**HYMN OF THE DAY: “*Day by Day*”**

**WOV 746**

**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;**

**by the power of the Holy Spirit**

**he became incarnate from the virgin Mary,  
and was made man.**

**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.**

**With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He 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 THE CHURCH**

**P:** Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

*A brief silence.*

You sanctify us in your truth; your word is truth. Send your church out into the world to spread your love and joy. Embolden all bishops, pastors, and deacons to be faithful ministers of your word and sacraments. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

**P:** Your creation groans under the strain of pollution. Preserve melting glaciers and dwindling forests. Bolster those who work for climate justice and help us all to be good and faithful stewards of your creation. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

**P:** Your people seek wisdom, understanding, and peace. Guide all those who govern and inspire them to work on behalf of the most vulnerable in our midst. Keep safe first responders, those serving in the military, and those whose duty it is to protect others. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

**P:** Your children need your loving care. Protect them from all harm. Comfort those in any affliction, especially those on our prayer list and those we silently name in our hearts. Support those who grieve and bring solace to those near death. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Your Spirit lives within us here. Inspire the work of this congregation and unite us as one. Bless all the mothers in our midst, console those for whom this day is difficult, and gather us all under the care of your loving wings. God of grace,

C: **hear our prayer.**

P: Your saints dwell with you in light. Keep us ever thankful for those who have gone before us in faith. Inspire us by their witness. God of grace,

C: **hear our prayer.**

P: Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord.

C: **Amen.**

## PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

## OFFERING

### OFFERTORY HYMN: *“We Give Thee but Thine Own”*

LBW 410



1 We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be;  
2 May we thy boun - ties thus as stew - ards true re - ceive,  
3 Hearts still are bruised and dead, and homes are bare and cold,  
4 To com - fort and to bless, to find a balm for woe,



all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.  
and glad - ly, as thou bless - est us, to thee our first - fruits give.  
and lambs for whom the Shep - herd bled are stray - ing from the fold.  
to tend those lost in lone - li - ness, is an - gels' work be - low.

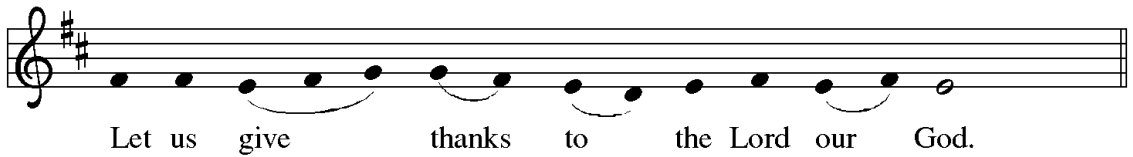
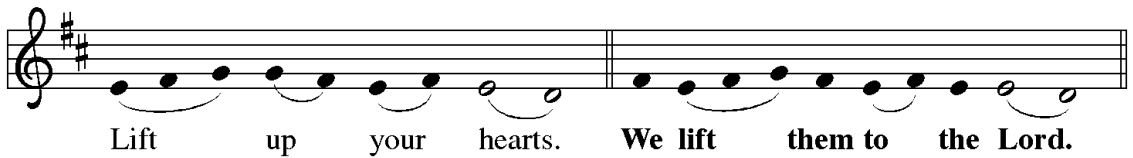
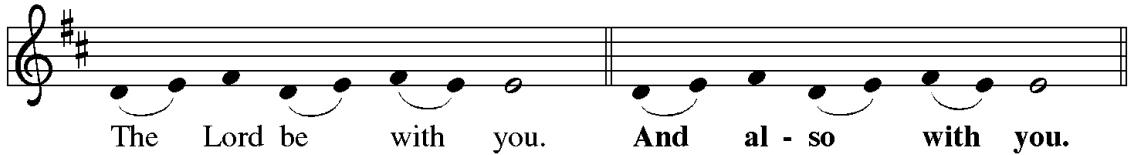
## OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Let us pray.

Risen One,  
you call us to believe and bear fruit.  
May the gifts that we offer here  
be signs of your abiding love.  
Form us to be your witnesses in the world,  
through Jesus Christ, our true vine.

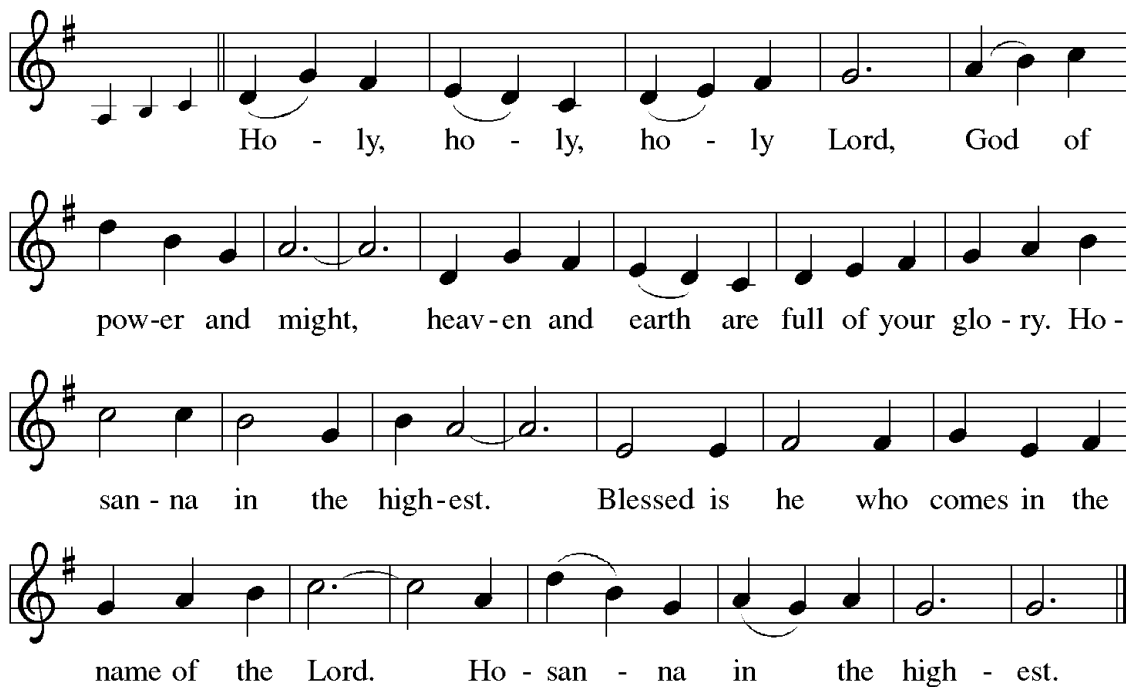
C: Amen.

## DIALOGUE



**PREFACE** *(sung by the pastor)*

## SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the  
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P: O God most mighty ... Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering his death, we cry out Amen. [**Amen.**]

Celebrating his resurrection, we shout Amen. [**Amen.**]

Trusting his presence in every time and place, we plead Amen. [**Amen.**]

P: O God, you are Breath ... life in you, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

*Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray ...*

**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

P: The risen Christ is made known to us  
in the breaking of the bread.  
Come and eat at God's table.

## THE DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

*All who wish to encounter Christ in Holy Communion are welcome to the Table. As directed, please come forward. The elements will be given by Pastor Susan or the Communion Assistant. If you would like a verbal blessing only, please let the Pastor know. Holy Communion may also be received at your seat. Just inform the Pastor or usher. The elements will be partaken at the Pastor's or Communion Assistant's direction:*

***The body of Christ given for you.  
The blood of Christ shed for you.***

# COMMUNION HYMN: "Beautiful Savior"

LBW 518



1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,  
2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,  
3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,  
4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,



Son of God and Son of Man!  
robed in flow'rs of bloom - ing spring;  
bright the spar - kling stars on high;  
Son of God and Son of Man!



Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,  
Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,  
Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er,  
Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,



light of my soul, my joy, my crown.  
he makes our sor - rowing spir - it sing.  
than all the an - gels in the sky.  
now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

## \*POST-COMMUNION

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

C: Amen.

**\*POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

P: Let us pray.

Shepherding God,  
you have prepared a table before us  
and nourished us with your love.  
Send us forth from this banquet  
to proclaim your goodness  
and share the abundant mercy of Jesus,  
our redeemer and friend.

C: Amen.

**\*BENEDICTION**

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

P: The God of resurrection power,  
the Christ of unending joy,  
and the Spirit of Easter hope  
✠ bless you now and always.

C: Amen.

**\*SENDING HYMN: “Crown Him with Many Crowns”**

**ELW 855**



1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne;  
2 Crown him the vir - gin's Son, the God in - car - nate born,  
3 Crown him the Lord of love— be - hold his hands and side,  
4 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave  
5 Crown him the Lord of years, the po - ten - tate of time,





hark, how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own.  
whose arm those crim-son tro - phies won which now his brow a - dorn;  
rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied.  
and rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save.  
cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fab - ly sub - lime.



A - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,  
fruit of the mys - tic rose, yet of that rose the stem,  
No an - gels in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight,  
His glo - ries now we sing, who died and rose on high,  
All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For thou hast died for me;



and hail him as thy match-less king through all e - ter - ni - ty.  
the root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, the babe of Beth - le - hem.  
but down - ward bend their burn - ing eyes at mys - ter - ies so bright.  
who died, e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.  
thy praise and glo - ry shall not fail through-out e - ter - ni - ty.

### \*DISMISSAL

P: Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

C: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

### \*POSTLUDE

**• MAY 2024 •**

SUN. May 12	MON. May 13	TUES. May 14	WED. May 15	THURS. May 16	FRI. May 17	SAT. May 18
<p><b>Happy Mother's Day!</b></p> <p><b>8:25 am:</b> St. James</p> <p><b>9:45 am:</b> Christ</p> <p><b>11:00 am:</b> Bethlehem</p> <p><i>Anniversary:</i> <b>Adam &amp; Heather Clapsadl</b></p>	<p><i>*Conference:</i> <b>Pastor Susan</b></p> <p><b>1:00 to 3:00 pm:</b> New Hope Ministries (Bethlehem)</p> <p><b>7:00 pm:</b> Council Meeting (Bethlehem)</p>	<p><i>*Conference:</i> <b>Pastor Susan</b></p> <p><b>7:00 pm:</b> Choir Practice (Bethlehem)</p> <p><i>Birthdays:</i> <b>Jonathan 'J.J.' Lang</b></p>	<p><i>*Conference:</i> <b>Pastor Susan</b></p> <p><i>Birthdays:</i> <b>Hunter Taylor</b></p>	<p><i>*Conference:</i> <b>Pastor Susan</b></p>	<p><i>Anniversary:</i> <b>James &amp; Kelly Lang</b></p>	<p><i>Synod Assembly Edification Day</i></p> <p><b>10:00 am:</b> Decorate Social Room for Sunday Luncheon (Bethlehem)</p> <p><i>Anniversary:</i> <b>Tony &amp; Bev Bretzman</b></p>
SUN. May 19	MON. May 20	TUES. May 21	WED. May 22	THURS. May 23	FRI. May 24	SAT. May 25
<p><b>50th Anniversary of Ordination Celebration (for Pastor Bob)</b></p> <p><b>PARISH JOINT SERVICE</b></p> <p><b>10:00 am:</b> Bethlehem</p> <p><i>Luncheon to Follow</i></p>	<p><b>7:00 pm:</b> Council Meeting (St. James)</p> <p><i>Birthdays:</i> <b>Roger Chronister</b></p> <p><b>Judy Staley</b></p>		<p><i>Birthdays:</i> <b>Shelvey Dugan</b></p>	<p><i>Birthdays:</i> <b>Christine Ascencio</b></p>	<p><i>Anniversary:</i> <b>Larry &amp; Francene Gantz</b></p>	<p><b>1:30 pm:</b> Memorial Day Service (Wenksville)</p> <p><i>Birthdays:</i> <b>Eleanor Albright</b></p> <p><b>Henry Taylor</b></p>

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## WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

### Lector

J Bettina McBeth  
C Steve Haller  
B Chris Cuttitta

### Greeters/Ushers

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Joe & Anna Saum

### Altar Guild

Harold & Kathy Stoner  
Deb & Dave Copenhaver  
Kathy Singley

## ALTAR FLOWERS:



St. James, Christ & Bethlehem  
*To the Glory of God*



## OFFICE HOURS AND PASTORAL NEEDS

Pastor Susan has office hours on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1-4 p.m. at the Parsonage. You are welcome to stop by the Parsonage to visit. Her official day off is Friday, but she is available for pastoral emergencies.

For all your pastoral needs, please contact Pastor Susan Scott by phone/text at 717-497-1013 or email [pastorsusanscott2022@gmail.com](mailto:pastorsusanscott2022@gmail.com).

## PASTOR SUSAN TO ATTEND CONFERENCE

• MAY 13 through MAY 16 •

Pastor Susan will be attending the Festival of Homiletics conference from May 13 through May 16 and will be unavailable.

If you would need pastoral care while she is attending the conference, please contact: Pastor Dennis Probst at 304-886-3200.

## ON-LINE SUNDAY WORSHIP

Worship is livestreamed on YouTube at 11 AM on our Bendersville Lutheran Parish channel (this info can also be found on our website – [www.bendersvillelutheranparish.com](http://www.bendersvillelutheranparish.com)).

**\* CELEBRATION \***

**50th ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION**

*Pastor Robert McEllroy III*

**SUNDAY, MAY 19, 2024, at 10 a.m.**

**- Joint Service at Bethlehem -**

On Sunday, May 19, we will celebrate Pastor Bob McEllroy's 50th anniversary of ordination with one service at 10 a.m. at Bethlehem, followed by a luncheon. Pastor Bob was ordained on May 21, 1974.

There is a sign-up sheets at each church for side dishes, drinks, and condiments. Also, in order to get an idea of how much food we need, please **RSVP by May 12**. However, if you don't RSVP, you are **STILL invited to come!**

If you would like to send a card for this special occasion to Pastor Bob directly, his address is:

**PASTOR BOB McELLROY**  
**2688 Sarah Place • Chambersburg, PA 17202**

*In lieu of gifts, Pastor Bob has requested a donation be made to SpiriTrust Lutheran at Luther Ridge for their Compassionate Care fund which helps residents who may have financial challenges. You may donate directly to **Luther Ridge (2998 Luther Dr., Chambersburg, PA 17202)** or with your regular offering. (Just include a note "gift for Pastor Bob" with your envelope.)*

**INVITATION TO JOIN OUR SPECIAL CHOIR!**

A choir is being organized and participants are being sought to sing on Sunday, May 19, at Pastor Bob's 50th Anniversary of Ordination Celebration event and/or at the parish's joint Memorial Weekend service at Christ Lutheran Church on Sunday, May 26. Both services are at 10 a.m. On Sunday, May 19, a Pentecostal Song will be sung for the Prelude and following the Prayer of the Day, we will be singing "**We All Are One in the Lord,**" which was written for Pastor Bob and Pat. There will be a practice on: **Tuesday, May 14**, at 7 p.m. at Bethlehem. If interested in being a part of this choir or wanting more information, please text or email Donna.

**Text – (717) 253-3430 • Email – [donnakkime@gmail.com](mailto:donnakkime@gmail.com)**



CURRENT ADDRESS (until further notice) for:

**BETTY McCAUSLIN**

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*Join Us to ...*

• **DECORATE the SOCIAL ROOM** •

**SATURDAY, MAY 18, at 10:00 a.m.**

**at BETHLEHEM**

*for Pastor Bob's 50th Anniversary Ordination Celebration.*

Anyone wishing to help should just show up at this time.

*“Thank you!”*



★ **WENKSVILLE MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE** ★

**SATURDAY, MAY 25, 2024**

**1:30 p.m.**

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The Wenksville Memorial Day Service will be held at 1:30 p.m. on May 25, 2024, with special music and a guest speaker. Bring your lawn chair, enjoy the music, and honor the veterans buried in Wenksville Cemetery. In case of rain, the service will be held in the Wenksville United Methodist Church.

## THANK YOU!

I would like to thank the Bendersville Lutheran Parish for all the prayers, cards, and phone calls before, during, and after my recent second knee replacement. I was very blessed with a successful surgery and am working through therapy and all is going very well. I am pleased to be removed from the Prayer List as of the end of May. THANK YOU to my church family.

– Carol Rex



## CARE & SHARE CARD MINISTRY

The Care & Share Committee's mission is to give emotional support to the church members and parish friends through cards of congratulations, encouragement, and condolence.

The Care & Share Card Ministry meets the last Tuesday of each month at 1 p.m. at 896 Upper Temple Road.

• NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY, MAY 28th •

Also, we work on card design and preparation on a “different day” from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. before meeting on the last Tuesday of the month. Anyone wishing to offer help or wanting more details, please contact:

Jackee McCartney – 717-321-0979

*“Donations of stamps are always appreciated.”*



## GRIEF SUPPORT MINISTRY

Francene Gantz would like to offer support for any who are grieving. If you need a listening ear, please contact Francene for one-on-one support and encouragement at 717-253-6569.

– Francene Gantz, BS Grief Counseling & Bereavement Education –



## PRAYER LIST GUIDELINES

*“Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints.” – Ephesians 6:18*



The Bendersville Lutheran Parish prays for one another, the world, and all those in need. Sometimes, though, we forget to tell others that someone has healed or has moved on to eternal life.

Let us be good stewards of the prayer list. Names on the prayer list will be removed after **one month** unless you let us know to keep praying.



### • REMEMBER OUR BLESSING BOXES •

*Things we need to include:*

Mac 'n cheese, soups, canned pasta meals (aka Chef Boyardee), instant potatoes, canned veggies, canned meat, canned fruit/fruit cups, instant rice, pasta, spaghetti sauce, beans (dried or canned), fruit gummies, sugary cereal, peanut butter, applesauce, instant cereal/oatmeal, toiletries (TP, paper towels, feminine hygiene products, toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, hand sanitizer)

**Our Blessing Boxes are definitely filling a need in our community!**

*Here are a few additional ideas of things we might think about contributing:*

Shelf stable milk, powdered milk, can openers, canned food with pop tops, oil (cooking, vegetable, canola, olive, etc.), spices, salt, pepper, tea bags, coffee, sugar, flour, tuna packets, crackers (all kinds), bread, cake mix, frosting, dishwashing detergent, laundry detergent

- \* Please don't buy bulk dry goods (rice, beans, pasta, etc.) and re-package at home. \*
- \* Due to food safety concerns, only factory sealed packaging should be put in the box. \*
- \* Be aware of glass items that might break. Take note to EXPIRATION DATES. \*
- \* Do not leave items OUTSIDE the box. \*

***“THANKS TO ALL WHO HAVE DONATED!”***



## *Prayer List - Parish Members*

Dixie Atha c  
Eric Black j  
Dot Bosak b  
Ruth Bretzman b  
Tony Bretzman b  
Mary Chronister b  
Adam Clapsadl j

Wahnettah Harvey c  
Harold Heller j  
Linda Heller j  
James Lang b  
Betty McCauslin j  
Kathy McCauslin j  
Loren Mortorff b

Carol Rex j  
Lois Rinehart b  
Mike Rinehart b  
Alan Showers j  
Bill Slaybaugh j  
Dan Turner c  
Mike Wolfe c

## *Friends of the Parish*

Connie Adams  
Douglas Barbour  
Mary 'Sis' Becker  
Adam Black  
Gary Black  
Jeff Black  
Bev Bretzman  
Nathan Bretzman  
Valerie Bushey  
June Cline

Nicole Cline  
Dick Cook  
Carl Corl  
Jeanne Cuttitta  
Peter Cuttitta  
Helen Daniels  
Bonnie DeHaven  
Luann Fix  
Galen Hartz  
Celine Horner

Susanna Kidwell  
Kinley  
Karen Lawson  
Nicole Mackey  
Emily Maiolo  
Bradley Metz  
Diane Myers  
Zach Pelc  
Brian Reed  
Ginny Rinehart

## *With Deepest Sympathy*

*We extend our sympathy and prayers to the families of those who have died in the faith and who are now at rest with their eternal Father (our saints who have gone before us).*