

# **Lamb Of God Lutheran Church**

June 13, 2021



**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday  
after Pentecost**





## *Communion Statement*

### **We will be celebrating Holy Communion at this service**

We consider this to be a family meal partaken in and with the Real Presence of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. The term “Communion” describes the relationship between the participants, certainly between each person and our Savior whose meal it is, but also with all who come together to consume Christ’s body and blood in and with the bread and wine. To properly celebrate Communion all participants should be in communion; sharing the same confession of faith as is taught by the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod (LCMS). **We welcome all those who regularly confess this faith as members or regular attenders of Lamb of God. Those who belong to another LCMS congregation and wish to join with us as fellow family members are asked to speak to an Elder prior to the beginning of service. Those who are visiting but not members of an LCMS congregation may approach the communion rail and receive a blessing with their arms folded in front of their chest, or remain seated.**

This has been the practice of the Church from the beginning, which according to earliest records would dismiss all those not baptized and confirmed before the Lord’s Supper was celebrated. We are celebrating this Sacrament in keeping with this tradition. If you are from outside the LCMS confession, please know that we are not judging you or your faith. We are not implying that you are not a Christian or worthy of the gifts Christ won for you on the cross. We are simply acknowledging that since you do not have the same confession as we do you are not “in communion” with us. If you still desire to participate in Holy Communion in the future at Lamb of God please speak with Pastor Mark after the service. Thank you for honoring our celebration of Holy Communion.

*\*\* Note: For those concerned about consuming alcohol-the individual cups in the center of each tray contain diluted wine. (1 drop of wine in water) There is gluten free wafers.*



# **Lamb of God Lutheran Church**

*Empowered by Christ's Sacraments to be His witness in  
Friendship/Fellowship/and Faith.*

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## **Divine Service I**

*The 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost*

*June 13, 2021*

*Pre-Service Music*

## **Welcome and Announcements**

### **Salutation**

- P** The Peace of the Lord be with you always  
**C** **And also with you.**

*Please share the Peace of Christ with your fellow worshipers.*





1 For me to live is Je - sus, To die is gain for me;  
 2 For Christ, my Lord, my broth - er, I leave this world so dim



So when my Sav - ior pleas - es, I meet death will - ing - ly.  
 And glad - ly seek an - oth - er, Where I shall be with Him.

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## Confession and Absolution

*Please stand as you are able*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

### Invocation

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

### Exhortation

*LSB 151*

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*



## Confession of Sins

LSB 151

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

## Absolution

LSB 151

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## 742 For Me to Live Is Jesus

[sts. 3-4]



3 My woes are near - ly o - ver, Though long and dark the road;  
4 Lord, when my pow'rs are fail - ing, My breath comes heav - i - ly,



My sin His mer - its cov - er, And I have peace with God.  
And words are un - a - vail - ing, O hear my sighs to Thee.

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# Service of the Word

## Psalm 1 Responsive

**P** <sup>1</sup> Blessed is the man  
who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,

**C** **nor stands in the way of sinners,  
nor sits in the seat of scoffers;**

**P** <sup>2</sup> but his delight is in the law of the LORD,  
and on his law he meditates day and night.

**C** <sup>3</sup> **He is like a tree  
planted by streams of water that yields its  
fruit in its season,**

**P** and its leaf does not wither.

**C** **In all that he does, he prospers.**

**P** <sup>4</sup> The wicked are not so,  
but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

**C** <sup>5</sup> **Therefore the wicked will not stand in the  
judgment,  
nor sinners in the congregation of the  
righteous;**

**P** <sup>6</sup> for the LORD knows the way of the righteous,

**C** **but the way of the wicked will perish.**

**C** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the  
Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be  
forever. Amen.**



## Kyrie

LSB 152

**P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, since You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

*Please be seated*



## Old Testament Lesson:

## Ezekiel 17:16-24

<sup>16</sup>“As I live, declares the Lord GOD, surely in the place where the king dwells who made him king, whose oath he despised, and whose covenant with him he broke, in Babylon he shall die. <sup>17</sup>Pharaoh with his mighty army and great company will not help him in war, when mounds are cast up and siege walls built to cut off many lives. <sup>18</sup>He despised the oath in breaking the covenant, and behold, he gave his hand and did all these things; he shall not escape. <sup>19</sup>Therefore thus says the Lord GOD: As I live, surely it is my oath that he despised, and my covenant that he broke. I will return it upon his head. <sup>20</sup>I will spread my net over him, and he shall be taken in my snare, and I will bring him to Babylon and enter into judgment with him there for the treachery he has committed against me. <sup>21</sup>And all the pick of his troops shall fall by the sword, and the survivors shall be scattered to every wind, and you shall know that I am the LORD; I have spoken.”

<sup>22</sup>Thus says the Lord GOD: “I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of the cedar and will set it out. I will break off from the topmost of its young twigs a tender one, and I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. <sup>23</sup>On the mountain height of Israel will I plant it, that it may bear branches and produce fruit and become a noble cedar. And under it will dwell every kind of bird; in the shade of its branches birds of every sort will nest. <sup>24</sup>And all the trees of the field shall know that I am the LORD; I bring low the high tree, and make high the low tree, dry up the green tree, and make the dry tree flourish. I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it.”

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.



<sup>1</sup>We know that if the tent, which is our earthly home, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. <sup>2</sup>For in this tent we groan, longing to put on our heavenly dwelling, <sup>3</sup>if indeed by putting it on we may not be found naked. <sup>4</sup>For while we are still in this tent, we groan, being burdened—not that we would be unclothed, but that we would be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. <sup>5</sup>He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.

<sup>6</sup>So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, <sup>7</sup>for we walk by faith, not by sight. <sup>8</sup>Yes, we are of good courage, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. <sup>9</sup>So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. <sup>10</sup>For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil.

<sup>11</sup>Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we persuade others. But what we are is known to God, and I hope it is known also to your conscience. <sup>12</sup>We are not commending ourselves to you again but giving you cause to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast about outward appearance and not about what is in the heart. <sup>13</sup>For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. <sup>14</sup>For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died; <sup>15</sup>and he died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised.



<sup>16</sup>From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. <sup>17</sup>Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

**[P]** This is the Word of the Lord.

**[C]** Thanks be to God.

*Please stand as you are able*

### Alleluia and Verse

LSB 156



**[C]** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

### Holy Gospel:

**Mark 4:26-34**

**[P]** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the fourth chapter.

**[C]** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>26</sup>[Jesus] said, “The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground. <sup>27</sup>He sleeps and rises night and day, and the seed sprouts and grows; he knows not how. <sup>28</sup>The earth produces by itself, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. <sup>29</sup>But when the grain is ripe, at once he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come.”



<sup>30</sup>And he said, “With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable shall we use for it? <sup>31</sup>It is like a grain of mustard seed, which, when sown on the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth, <sup>32</sup>yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes larger than all the garden plants and puts out large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.”

<sup>33</sup>With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it. <sup>34</sup>He did not speak to them without a parable, but privately to his own disciples he explained everything.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

*Please be seated*

## Children's Message





# 671 Sing with All the Saints in Glory [A Lamb of God Favorite]



1 Sing with all the saints in glo - ry, Sing the res - ur -  
2 Oh, what glo - ry, far ex - ceed - ing All that eye has  
3 Life e - ter - nal! Heav'n re - joic - es: Je - sus lives who



rec - tion song! Death and sor - row, earth's dark sto - ry,  
yet per - ceived! Ho - liest hearts for a - ges plead - ing  
once was dead. Shout with joy, O death - less voic - es!



To the for - mer days be - long. All a - round the  
Nev - er that full joy con - ceived. God has prom - ised,  
Child of God, lift up your head! Life e - ter - nal!



clouds are break - ing; Soon the storms of time shall  
Christ pre - pares it; There on high our wel - come  
Oh, what won - ders Crowd on faith; what joy un -



cease; In God's like - ness we a - wak - en,  
waits. Ev - 'ry hum - ble spir - it shares it,  
known, When, a - mid earth's clos - ing thun - ders,



Know - ing ev - er - last - ing peace.  
Christ has passed the e - ter - nal gates.  
Saints shall stand be - fore the throne!

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## Sermon: 2 Corinthians 5:1-9 “Groaning now, Rejoicing in what is to come”

*Please stand as you are able*



## Nicene Creed

**☩ I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came  
down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the  
virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius  
Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according  
to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge  
both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is  
worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.**



And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
 I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
 and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
 and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

## Offering and Prayers

### Offering Statement:

**P** Please fulfill your obligation as a member to support the ministry that we have been given by the Good Shepherd, Jesus Christ. Please mail in your offering, give on-line at our website, or drop your offering envelope off in the Narthex on your way out today, or during the week in the offering box across from the Church Office Monday – Friday 9 am-1 PM

### Offering Verse:

**2 Corinthians 5:17**

<sup>17</sup>Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation.  
 The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

### Offertory

*LSB 159*



**C** What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to  
 me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will  
 call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-





*Please be seated*

### Prayer of the Church

**P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** In thanksgiving to the Most High, who has planted His Holy Word among us; and for the Church's healthy growth, that we may weather the storm-winds of this world steadfast in Christ, ever bearing the fruits of love and singing praises to His name, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** ...let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** Holy Father, from Israel You have taken a tender sprig, Your chosen Messiah, Jesus, and planted Him on the mountain for our salvation. By His death on a tree, You have reversed the curse of sin and brought life again to dry, dusty souls. Do not let us despise Your Christ, His humility or His suffering, but bring us with all Your Christians into the shade of His eternal rest; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** Amen.

*Please stand as you are able*

## Service of the Sacrament

### Preface

*LSB 160*

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** We lift them to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

### Proper Preface

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

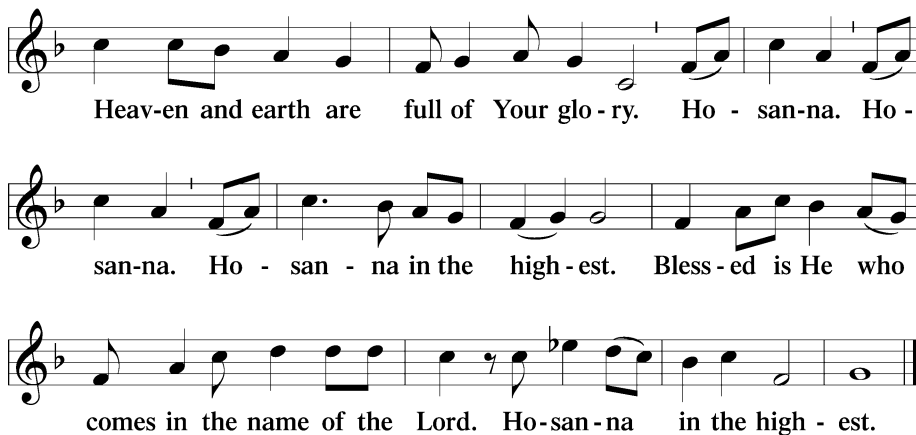
### Sanctus

*LSB 161*



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:





## The Words of Our Lord

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

## Proclamation of Christ

**P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

**C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

**P** O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into 17



heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

## Lord's Prayer

**C** 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.

## Pax Domini

*LSB 163*

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**C** Amen.

## Agnus Dei

*LSB 163*



**C** 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





## Distribution

*The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to those who come to receive, saying:*

### Right Column

*LSB 164*

The true body of Christ, given for you.  
**Amen.**

The true blood of Christ, shed for you.  
**Amen.**

*In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:*

### Table Dismissal

**[P]** Depart now in His joy and peace, knowing that all of your sins have been forgiven.

## Video Anthem: BOB #100

**"I Am the Bread of Life"**

Verse 1:

I am the Bread of life,  
You who come to Me shall not hunger,  
and who believes in Me shall not thirst.  
No one can come to Me  
Unless the Father beckons.



Chorus:

And I will raise you up,  
And I will raise you up,  
And I will raise you up on the last day.

Verse 2:

The bread that I will give  
Is My flesh for the life of the world,  
And if you eat of this bread,  
You shall live for ever,  
You shall live for ever.

Chorus:

And I will raise you up,  
And I will raise you up,  
And I will raise you up on the last day.

Verse 3:

Unless you eat  
Of the flesh of the Son of Man  
And drink of His blood,  
And drink of His blood,  
You shall not have life within you.

Chorus:

And I will raise you up,  
And I will raise you up,  
And I will raise you up on the last day.

Verse 4:

I am the Resurrection,  
I am the Life,  
If you believe in Me  
Even though you die,  
You shall live for ever.



Chorus:

And I will raise you up,  
And I will raise you up,  
And I will raise you up on the last day.

Verse 5:

Yes, Lord, I believe  
That You are the Christ,  
The Son of God  
Who has come  
Into the world.

Chorus: (Repeat)

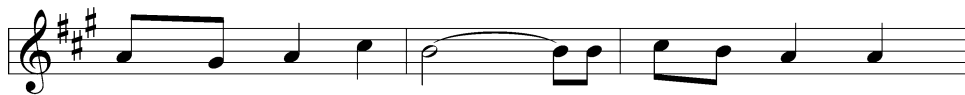
And I will raise you up,  
And I will raise you up,  
And I will raise you up on the last day.

Suzanne Toolan

## 720 We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight



1	We	walk	by	faith	and	not	by	sight,	No
2	We	may	not	touch	His	hands	and	side,	Nor
3	Help	then,	O	Lord,	our	un -	be -	lief;	And
4	For	You,	O	res -	ur -	rect -	ed	Lord,	Are
5	Lord,	when	our	life	of	faith	is	done,	In



gra -	cious	words	we	hear	From	Him	who	spoke	as
fol -	low	where	He	trod;	But	in	His	prom -	ise
may	our	faith	a -	bound	To	call	on	You	when
found	in	means	di -	vine:	Be -	neath	the	wa -	ter
realms	of	clear -	er	light	We	may	be -	hold	You





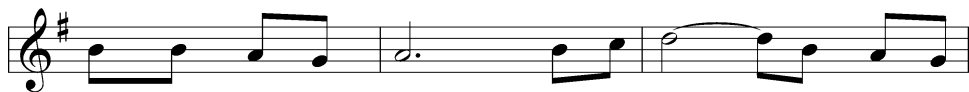
none e'er spoke, But we be - lieve Him near.  
 we re - joice And cry "My Lord and God!"  
 You are near And seek where You are found.  
 and the Word, Be - neath the bread and wine.  
 as You are, With full and end - less sight.

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## 879 Stay with Us



1 Stay with us, till night has come: Our praise to  
 2 Walk with us, our spir - its sigh: Hear when our  
 3 Walk with us, the road will bend: Make all our  
 4 Talk with us, till we be - hold A joy - ful  
 5 Stay with us, till day is done: No tears nor



You this day be sung. Bless our bread, O - pen our  
 wea - ry spir - its cry, Feel a - gain Our loss, our  
 weep - ing, wail - ing end. Wipe our tears, For - give our  
 life You will un - fold: Heal our eyes To see the  
 dark shall dim the sun. Cheer the heart, Your grace im -



eyes: Je - sus, be our great sur - prise.  
 pain: Je - sus, take us to Your side.  
 fears: Je - sus, lift the heav - y cross.  
 prize: Je - sus, take us to the light.  
 part: Je - sus, bring e - ter - nal life.

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## The Dismissal

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen  
 and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting.  
 Depart ✠ in peace.

**C** Amen.



# Close of the Service

*Please Stand as you are able*

## Thank the Lord

LSB 164



**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

## Post-Communion Collect

**P** Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.



## Benediction

LSB 166

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

**C** Amen.

## 742 For Me to Live Is Jesus

[sts. 5-6]



5 In my last hour, O grant me A slum - ber soft and still,  
6 And so to Thee still cleav - ing When death shall come to me,



No doubts to vex or haunt me, Safe an - chored in Thy will;  
I fall a - sleep be - liev - ing And wake in heav'n with Thee!

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## Sharing of the Peace

**P** The Peace of the Lord be with you always

**C** And also with you

**P** The love and the Peace of Christ Jesus, Your Savior, has been poured out upon you richly and abundantly this day. In the same manner as He has shared with you, pour out these gifts upon those around you who need to hear the Gospel from your lips and by the work of your hands. In doing so we serve in the world as His Church.



## Closing Peace

**P** Go in peace, serve the Lord

**C** Thanks be to God



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# Father's Day

## Bake Sale



Sunday

June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021



Help sponsor our VBS.





# Fill the Baby Bottle

There are Baby Bottles available  
in the narthex  
for you to take home between  
Sunday, May 9<sup>th</sup> - Sunday, June 20<sup>th</sup>  
to fill with pocket change and  
bring back to church.

The money will be donated to  
*Pregnancy Resource Center of Flint.*  
They provide assistance to mother's  
and mother's to be and work to protect  
the unborn in our community.

Return the bottles by  
Sunday, June 20<sup>th</sup>.







We would  
rather be away  
from the body  
and at home  
with the  
Lord.

2 Corinthians 5:8, ESV