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Day of Pentecost
May 19, 2024
10:30 a.m. Worship & Holy Communion

*(Please stand when indicated by *)*

Lutheran Book of Worship (LBW) green hymnal
With One Voice (WOV) blue hymnal
P=Pastor, C=Congregation, L=Lay Reader

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Welcome & Announcements

Prelude: *The Breath of God* (Landis)

GATHERING

* Invocation LBW p. 56

P In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen**

* Brief Order of Confession & Forgiveness LBW p. 56

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen**

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

P Most merciful God,
C **we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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**

P Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority,

I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the \dagger Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

* Processional Hymn: Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart

LBW# 486

Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart 486

The musical score is written in a key signature of two flats (Bb and Eb) and a 4/4 time signature. It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The piano accompaniment is primarily chordal, with some melodic movement in the bass line. The lyrics are arranged in four lines, with the first line of lyrics corresponding to the first system of music, and so on. The lyrics are: 1 Spir - it of God, de - scend up - on my heart; Wean it from earth, through 2 I ask no dream, no proph-et ec - sta - sies, No sud-den rend - ing 3 Have you not bid me love you, God and King; All, all your own, soul, 4 Teach me to love you as your an - gels love, One ho - ly pas - sion all its puls - es move; Stoop to my weak - ness, strength to of the veil of clay, No an - gel vis - i - tant, no heart, and strength, and mind? I see your cross; there teach my fill - ing all my frame: The bap - tism of the heav'n - de - me im - part, And make me love you as I ought to love. o - p'ning skies; But take the dim - ness of my soul a - way. heart to cling. Oh, let me seek you and, oh, let me find! scend-ed dove, My heart an al - tar, and your love the flame.

Chords: Bb, F7, Bb, Eb, Cm7, Bb, Gm, A, Dm, G7, F, C7, F, F7, F sus4, F7, Bb, Eb, Bb, F7, Bb

* Greeting

LBW p. 57

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

* Kyrie

LBW p. 57-58

A In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

A For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

A 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.**

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

C **Lord, have mercy.**

A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C **Amen**

* Hymn of Praise (*This is the Feast*)

LBW p. 60-61

C **This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

I **Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God.**

C **This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

II **Power, riches, wisdom, and strength,
and honor, blessing, and glory are his.**

C **This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

I **Sing with all the people of God,
and join in the hymn of all creation:
Blessing, honor, glory, and might
be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.**

C **This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

II **For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.**

C **This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

* Salutation

LBW p. 62

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

* Prayer of the Day

P O God, you taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit. Grant us, by the same Spirit, to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

WORD

Old Testament Lesson: Ezekiel 37:1-14

¹The hand of the LORD was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones. ²And he led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. ³And he said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" And I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." ⁴Then he said to me, "Prophesy over these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. ⁵Thus says the LORD God to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. ⁶And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the LORD." ⁷So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I prophesied, there was a sound, and behold, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. ⁸And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them. But there was no breath in them. ⁹Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath; prophesy, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the LORD God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live." ¹⁰So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army. ¹¹Then he said to me, "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are indeed cut off.' ¹²Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the LORD God: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel. ¹³And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people. ¹⁴And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the LORD."

L Here ends the reading.

Psalm 139:1-12 *read responsively*

L ¹O Lord, you have searched me and known me!

C ²**You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from afar.**

L ³You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways.

C ⁴**Even before a word is on my tongue, behold, O Lord, you know it altogether.**

L ⁵You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.

C ⁶**Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high; I cannot attain it.**

L ⁷Where shall I go from your Spirit? Or where shall I flee from your presence?

C ⁸**If I ascend to heaven, you are there! If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there!**

L ⁹If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,

C ¹⁰**even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me.**

L ¹¹If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light about me be night,"

C ¹²**even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is bright as the day, for darkness is as light with you.**

New Testament Lesson: Acts 2:1-21

¹When the day of Pentecost arrived, {the apostles} were all together in one place. ²And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. ⁴And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance. ⁵Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. ⁶And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. ⁷And they were amazed and astonished, saying, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? ⁹Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, ¹¹both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians — we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.” ¹²And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” ¹³But others mocking said, “They are filled with new wine.” ¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them: “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. ¹⁵For these people are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. ¹⁶But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel: ¹⁷‘And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams; ¹⁸even on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke; ²⁰the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day. ²¹And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.’”

L Here ends the reading.

Children’s Message

C Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 15th chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

* Holy Gospel: John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15

²⁶{Jesus said,} “When the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness about me. ²⁷And you also will bear witness, because you have been with me from the beginning.

^{4b}“I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. ⁵But now I am going to him who sent me, and none of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ ⁶But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. ⁷Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: ⁹concerning sin, because they do not believe in me; ¹⁰concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see me no longer; ¹¹concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged. ¹²I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon: *Empowered, Sent & Understanding*

Pastor Heidi Punt

Come, Gracious Spirit, Heavenly Dove 475

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are arranged in four stanzas across these systems.

1 Come, gra - cious Spir - it, heav'n - ly dove, With light and
2 The light of truth to us dis - play And make us
3 Lead us to Christ, the liv - ing way, Nor let us
4 Lead us to heav'n, that we may share Full - ness of

com - fort from a - bove. Come, be our guard - ian
know and choose your way; Plant ho - ly fear in
from his pas - tures stray; Lead us to ho - li -
joy for - ev - er there; Lead us to our e -

and our guide; O'er ev - 'ry thought and step pre - side.
ev - 'ry heart, That we from God may ne'er de - part.
ness, the road That we must take to dwell with God.
ter - nal rest, To be with God for - ev - er blest.

* Apostles' Creed

LBW p. 65

**C I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.*
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again 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**

* *Or, He descended to the dead.*

** *Or, the holy Christian Church,*

* Prayers of the Church

LBW p. 65

A Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

After each portion of the prayers:

A Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

**P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy;
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.**

C Amen

* Sharing of the Peace

LBW p. 66

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

Offering

The Offering is received as the Lord's Table is prepared. All loose offering will go towards the Building & Repair Fund. During the month of May, the Benevolence Teaching Moment is on Lutheran Services Carolinas. Please prayerfully consider giving to the Benevolence Fund.

MEAL

* Offertory (*Let the vineyards be fruitful Lord*)

LBW p. 66

**C Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord,
and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.
Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown,
that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gather the hopes and the dreams of all;
unite them with the prayers we offer now.
Grace our table with your presence, and give us
a foretaste of the feast to come.**

* Offering Prayer (*Merciful Father*)

LBW p. 67

**A Let us pray. Merciful Father,
C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us--our selves, our time,
and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who
offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

* The Great Thanksgiving

LBW p. 68

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.

P It is indeed right and salutary . . . (*Here the minister continues with the preface appropriate to the day or season, concluding:*) we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

* Sanctus (*Holy, holy, holy*)

LBW p. 69

**C Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

* Words of Institution (32)

LBW p. 69

P 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.

* The Lord's Prayer

LBW p. 71

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**

Lamb of God

LBW p. 72

C **Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

Distribution of Communion

All are welcome to receive the Lord's Body and Blood who are baptized and believe that Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, is truly present in, with and under the form of bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation. All who do not commune are invited to come forward to receive a blessing. Gluten Free wafers and grape juice are also available upon request. Please fill out the communion card in the pew and hand to the Usher while following their directions to receive Holy Communion or a blessing.

* Blessing

LBW p. 72

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

* Post-Communion Canticle (*Thank the Lord*)

LBW p. 72-73

C Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev'ryone what he has done.
Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name.
He recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy
with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.

* Post-Communion Prayer (*Pour out upon us*)

LBW p. 74

A Let us pray. Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those
whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
C Amen

SENDING

* Benediction (*The Lord bless you*)

LBW p. 74

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.

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Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling

1 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er dwell - ing In the ho - liest
2 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er liv - ing As the Church's
3 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er work - ing Through the Church's

realms of light; Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er brood - ing
ver - y life; Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er striv - ing
min - is - try; Quick - 'ning, strength-'ning, and ab - solv - ing,

O'er a world of gloom and night; Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er
Through us in a cease - less strife; Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er
Set - ting cap - tive sin - ners free; Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er

rais - ing Those of earth to thrones on high; Liv - ing, life - im -
form - ing In the Church the mind of Christ: You we praise with
bind - ing Age to age and soul to soul In com - mu - nion

part - ing Spir - it, You we praise and mag - ni - fy.
 end - less wor - ship For your gifts and fruits un - priced.
 nev - er end - ing, You we wor - ship and ex - tol.

At this point the Christ Candle is placed near the Baptismal font as a visual reminder that in our baptism we are crucified and resurrected with Christ.

*** Blessing & Dismissal**

P You have been nurtured in Word and Sacrament now go therefore and make disciples of all nations

C **Baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son and of the Holy Spirit.**

P Union Lutheran Church you are sent!

C **Amen, amen, amen**

Postlude: *March on "Down Ampney" (Come Down, O Love Divine)* arr. Spong

Called Congregational Meeting

*The **ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the Glory of God and in celebration of Faye Kesler, Linda Kesler, Bobbie Corleto and Tonya Brittain's May Birthdays; and in loving memory of cousin and friend, Arnold Cauble.*

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OUR MISSION: Christ Centered ~ Mission Driven~ Traditionally-Grounded~ Congregationally Focused (Matthew 28:18-20)

OUR 2024 VISION: “Love God and Love our Neighbor” (Mark 12:30-33)

OUR 2024 ACTION PLAN: “By feeding, clothing, visiting, helping...” (Matthew 25:35-40)



Those Serving in May

Guest Organist: Nancy Sloop

We welcome Nancy Sloop to worship today!

Acolytes: Adam Thompson and Noah Trexler

Altar Guild: Patsy Lyerly, Angie Poole and Vivian Sprinkle

Communion Assistants: Patsy Lyerly, Frank Merrell and Vivian Sprinkle

Communion Assistant substitute: Tara Davis

Lay Readers: Patsy Lyerly and Doris Shepherd

Ushers: Phil Cauble, Elbert Kluttz, Micah Nguyen and Ron Vellines

Offering Counters: Jennifer Curlee, Ali Davis and Doris Shepherd

Union News

Sunday, May 19

Day of Pentecost

9:35 a.m. Sunday School

Paul Confronts Peter ~ Galatians 2:1-21; Acts 10:34-35

[Paul argued]: We know that a person is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ... (Galatians 2:16)

Drew Wise Adult Sunday School Class

Reconciled to God ~ Acts 2:37-47; Romans 5:1-11

10:30 a.m. Worship & Holy Communion

Ezekiel 37:1-14; Psalm 139:1-12; Acts 2:1-21; John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

Following worship, Sunday, May 19, a **Brief Called Congregational Meeting** will be held for the purpose of approving the purchase/installation of a new air conditioning unit.

1:30 p.m. Executive Committee

2:00 p.m. Church Council

2:45 p.m.-3:30 p.m. Youth Choir

4:00 p.m. Family Movie Night

Deadline for newsletter articles.

Graduating Class of 2024

On **Sunday, June 2**, is a very special day in our congregation as we will recognize and give thanks to God for various members of the **Class of 2024** who are part of our church or our church's extended family during worship.

If you are or are a family member of a high school or college/tech graduate (whether or not you will be able to make it Sunday, June 2), please contact the church office with your graduate's full name, school from which they are graduating, and what the next steps are in life (enrolling in another school or degree program, headed to the workforce, or whatever may be next) along with a headshot. So that we can be sure to have plenty of time to prepare, **PLEASE HAVE THIS INFORMATION TO THE CHURCH OFFICE by TODAY, MAY 19.**

This Weeks' Activities:

Tuesday, May 21 **6:30 p.m.** Jonah Bible Study

Wednesday, May 22 **4:30 p.m.** Haiti Pastors Bible Study online

6:30 p.m. Confirmation Class

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

Thursday, May 23 **6:30 p.m.** Campus Maintenance Umbrella (*Archives, Property, Cemetery, Columbarium, Fact Finding, Land Sale, Landscape, Woodlands*)
 Council Point Persons, Phil Cauble, Tara Davis, and Kevin Huffman

Sunday, May 26

Holy Trinity Sunday

Though it can be difficult to explain the unexplainable nature of God - the Three in One and the One in Three - God's glory is obvious in the Scripture lessons for this Sunday. The doctrine of the Trinity is one that is received in faith because it is one of the great mysteries of God's being. God has revealed himself to humanity as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit: co-eternal, co-creative, and co-existing as One God.

9:35 a.m. Sunday School

Living an Active Faith ~ James 2:1-17; 1 John 2:1-6

*The Apostle James wrote in his letter: "Faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead."
(James 2:17)*

Drew Wise Adult Sunday School Class

Who Has Believed? ~ Deuteronomy 30:11-20; Romans 10:1-21

10:30 a.m. Worship & Holy Communion

Isaiah 6:1-8; Genesis 1:1-31; Acts 2:14a, 22-36; John 3:1-17

2:45 p.m.-3:30 p.m. Youth Choir

4:00 p.m. Luther League at Christiana, Salisbury

Debbie Rinehart has reserved the Altar Flowers on Sunday, May 26.

During the period of May 1st - 15th, 2024, Union Lutheran Church received contributions totaling **\$7,718**. During this same period, the church incurred expenses in the amount of **\$8,721.92**. The result of this two week period is a negative revenue flow of **(\$1003.92)**.

Additional revenue of \$4,722 was received in Cemetery Funds reimbursement for January thru June mowing.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Memorial Day, Monday, May 27

Church office is closed in observance.

Memorial Day commemorates the men and women who **died** while serving in the United States Armed Forces, particularly those who died in battle or as a result of wounds sustained in battle. It's a time remembering those who lost their lives and could not come home.

We invite you to visit our Veterans Monument in the Cemetery.

Tuesday, May 28

Union will host the next meeting of the Piedmont-East Clergy on, at **10:00 a.m.**

Wednesday, May 29

4:30 p.m. Haiti Pastors Bible Study online

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

Saturday, June 1

Large fellowship is reserved all day.

Sunday, June 2

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

Peter's Vision of the Cloth ~ Acts 10:9-35; Ephesians 2:13-18

[Peter] saw the heavens opened and something like a great sheet descending, being let down by its four corners upon the earth. In it were all kinds of animals and reptiles and birds of the air.

(Acts 10:11-12)

Drew Wise Adult Sunday School Class

Glorious Riches ~ Galatians 3:19-20; Colossians 1:19-2:5

10:30 a.m. Worship & Holy Communion

Deuteronomy 5:12-15; Psalm 81:1-10; 2 Corinthians 4:5-12; Mark 2:23-28 (3:1-6)

Recognition of High School, College/Tech Graduates
and Recipients of Gerald Bame Memorial Scholarship

12 noon Town Hall Gathering (Music Ministry) in Dutch Meeting Hall

Light refreshments will be available.

4:00 p.m. Union Youth Canoeing at High Rock Lake

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER...

Our Love and Sympathy is extended to John and Nancy Kesler and Family on the death of their son-in-law, Richard Kidd.

Nursing Home Residents – Pat Kluttz, Brenda Mahaley, Ruth Monroe, Jean Ray & Jay Rusher (Autumn Care); Frances Norris (Trinity Oaks); Glenn Eagle (VA)

Homebound/Shut-ins Members – Sarah Bame, Rachel Earnhardt, Teresa Kesler, James Kluttz, Glenn Lowder, William Page, Rev. TC & Mary Plexico, Macky Swicegood, Effie Vellines, Billy Waller & Michael Walton

Sick/Surgery/Recovery – Judy Boyd, Brenda Cauble, Phil Cauble, Lynn Coughenour, Glenn Honeycutt, Jr., Steve Hutchens, Jean Kluttz, John Knight, Wade Leazer, Sharon Moore, Kay Morgan, Doris Page, Patsy Sigmon, Wayne and Pam Vellines & Rev. Bob Young (son of the congregation)

Continual Prayer –Janaya Anderson (Youth Friend), Jim Baker (Genevieve Baker's uncle), Shonna Lanning Black (Jack and Deena Lanning's daughter), Bill Broadway, Sharon Peeler Bullock (Sylvia Peeler's daughter), Michael Curlee (Scott Curlee's brother), Billy Hutchens (Steve Hutchens' brother), Dr. Sean Malone (Pam Vellines' doctor), Fay Miller (friend of Pat Kluttz); Della Morgan (Pam Vellines' mother), Ben Smith (Cathy Painter's brother-in-law), Glen Wall (Frank & Dawn Merrell's friend), Pat Wiles (Genevieve Baker's friend), Union Fire Department #76, Global Missions (Congo, Slovakia, and Haiti) & those affected by natural or political disasters

Confirmands: Caylea Cline, Mallory Eagle, Landon Kesler, and Noah Trexler

We lift up in prayer Eireanna Miller and Moses Miller as they adjust to their new home in another state.

Stewardship Statistics

May 12	55	8:00 a.m. Service of the Word
May 12	54	Sunday School
May 12	117	10:30 a.m. Worship & Holy Communion

Part 1: The Ten Commandments

The Fourth Commandment: *Honor your father and your mother, (that your days may be long in the land which the Lord your God is giving you.)*

What does this mean? *We should fear and love God so that we do not show contempt for our parents and others in authority, not provoke them to anger, but respect, obey, serve, love, and honor them.*

(Martin Luther's Small Catechism ~ Sola Publishing 2010 Edition ~ Pocket Version page 7)



Please note: Bell choirs will resume when the bells are returned from being serviced in either May or June.



Summer in Salisbury



June 9-13

VBS Scuba Diving into Fellowship with Christ (all ages)
Organ Lutheran Church
704.279.3096

June 11-13

VBS Pickled with Jesus
When in a Pickle, there is Jesus! (all ages)
Union Lutheran Church
<https://ulcsalisbury.org/>
704.636.5092

June 23-28

Day Camp: Solid Rock (K-5th Graders)
Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church
<https://faithlutheranfaithnc.com/2024/04/15/2024-solid-rock-day-camp-the-adventures-of-paul/>
704.279.2500

June 25-27

VBS (all ages)
Salem Lutheran Church
Ms. Graham 704.433.6270

July 10-12

VBS What a Mess (all ages)
Christiana Lutheran Church
704.279.4655

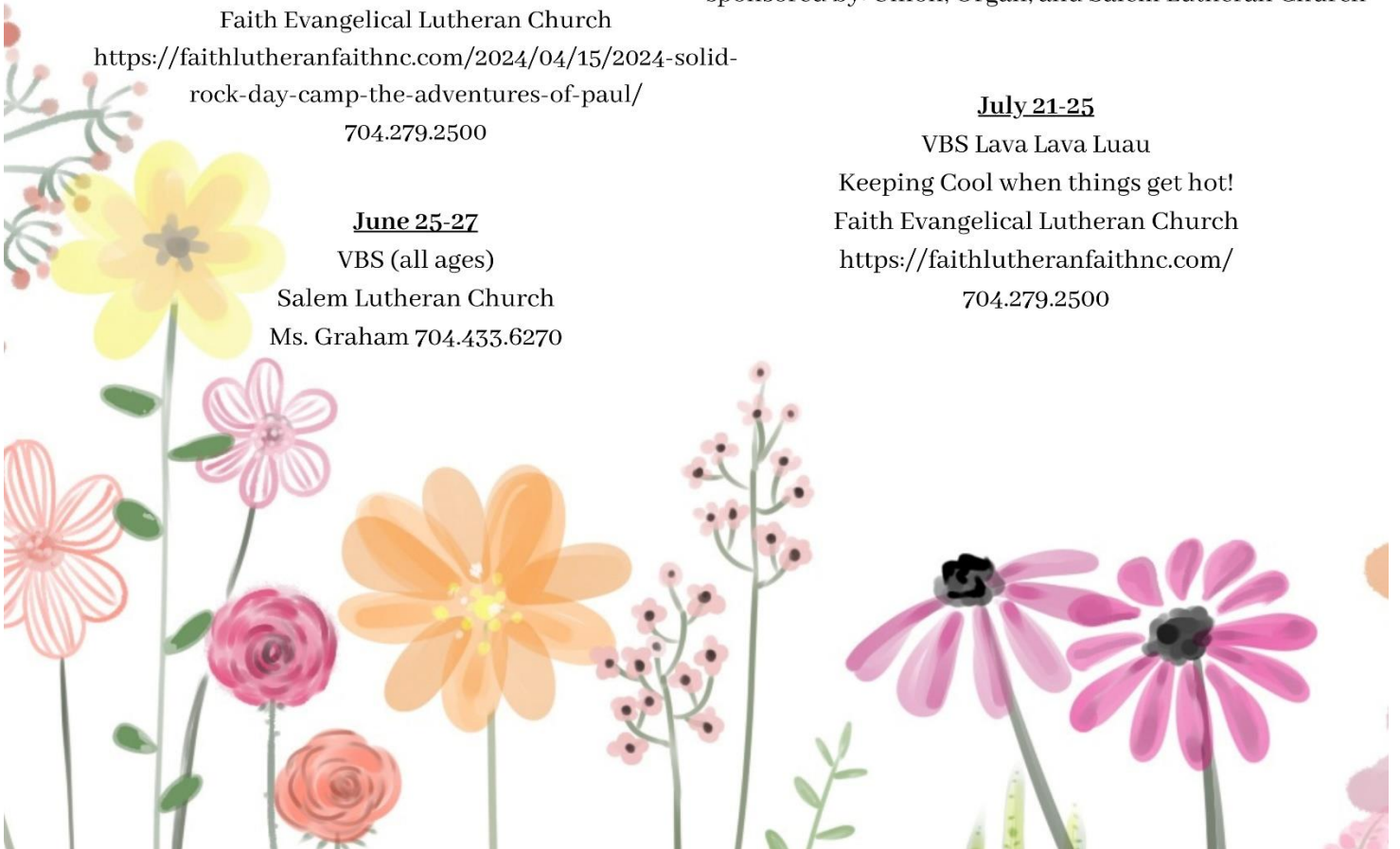
July 21-26

Day Camp: Armor of God (all ages)
Organ Lutheran Church
<https://register@vbspro.events/p/2c4238>
704.279.3096

sponsored by: Union, Organ, and Salem Lutheran Church

July 21-25

VBS Lava Lava Luau
Keeping Cool when things get hot!
Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church
<https://faithlutheranfaithnc.com/>
704.279.2500





Summer at Union Lutheran Church

90 Days Spiritual Fitness Challenge

1, 2, & 3 John

Deadline to register: Sunday, June 9

June 18/June 19 beginning

Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.

Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m.

Cost: \$25 per person

Scholarships are available upon request.

Purchase: Exegetical Commentary on the New
Testament (1, 2, & 3 John)

Karen H. Jobs and Clinton Arnold (General Editor)

Family Fun Day

Saturday, June 15

Tubing at Mountain Valley Express

5373 Green River Cove Road, Sa Luda, NC

Cost: \$12 per person

Scholarships are available upon request.

12:45 p.m.

If you wish to bring a picnic or eat at the restaurant on
premises, please be there by 11:00 a.m.

There are many activities on the premises to facilitate a
wonderful family fun day!

CASH ONLY

Music Camp (Bells for Youth)

6th-12th Graders who wish
to learn how to play bells!

Summer Sunday School

July 21-August 11

Hometown Nazareth!

Walking through the streets of Nazareth
every Sunday morning

9:30 a.m.-10:15 a.m.

(all ages)

Mission Camps

Building various carpentry, renovating and
general home improvement skills

ULC Office Hallway Bathrooms to be
renovated this Summer!

*For more information please review
Union's monthly Messenger,
weekly news, online or contact the
church office 704.636.5092*