

EPIPHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH

We Love Jesus by Serving Others
4th Sunday after Pentecost
June 20, 2021, Traditional Worship
Far Hills Campus, 10:30 AM Livestream

Serving in Worship

Presiding Minister: Rev. Dr. Charles Peterson, LWF

Assisting Minister: Judith Clark

Organist: John Benjamin

Cantor: Kathleen Wilson

Usher: Jim Lehman

Sound/Slides: Ted Meyer, Melonie June Warren

Stream Team: Ryan Pearson, Alex Wasser

Livestream Host: Connie McCafferty

GATHER

PRE-SERVICE: *JESUS, SAVIOR, PILOT ME* (arr. Don Hustad)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE: *TRIO IN G MINOR / TRIO IN E FLAT* (Josef Rheinberger)

(Please stand as you are able and face the baptismal font)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

C: **Amen.**

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Most merciful God,

C: **we confess that we are captive 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: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God 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 † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

SHARING THE PEACE

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

C: **And also with you.**

At this time, please share the peace with those around you. Also, please take this time to say hello and share the peace in the comment section of the YouTube channel livestream or in the Facebook feed comment section. Take a selfie and let us know you are worshiping with us!

OPENING HYMN: WE PRAISE YOU, O GOD

#870



1 We praise you, O God, our re - deem - er, cre - a - tor;
2 We wor - ship you, God of our fa - thers and mo - thers;
3 With voic - es u - nit - ed our prais - es we of - fer



in grate - ful de - vo - tion our trib - ute we bring.
through tri - al and tem - pest our guide you have been.
and glad - ly our songs of thanks - giv - ing we raise.



We lay it be - fore you; we kneel and a - dore you;
When per - ils o'er - take us, you will not for - sake us,
With you, Lord, be - side us, your strong arm will guide us.



we bless your ho - ly name; glad prais - es we sing.
and with your help, O Lord, our strug - gles we win.
To you, our great re - deem - er, for - ev - er be praise!

Text: Julia C. Cory, 1882–1963

Music: KREMSER, A. Valerius, *Nederlandsch Gedenckclanck*, 1626

APOSTOLIC GREETING

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.**

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Cantor



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

(Please be seated)

WORD

WELCOMING THE CHILDREN

FIRST READING: I SAMUEL 17:32-49

³²David said to Saul, "Let no one's heart fail because of him; your servant will go and fight with this Philistine." ³³Saul said to David, "You are not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him; for you are just a boy, and he has been a warrior from his youth." ³⁴But David said to Saul, "Your servant used to keep sheep for his father; and whenever a lion or a bear came, and took a lamb from the flock, ³⁵I went after it and struck it down, rescuing the lamb from its mouth; and if it turned against me, I would catch it by the jaw, strike it down, and kill it. ³⁶Your servant has killed both lions and bears; and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be like one of them, since he has defied the armies of the living God." ³⁷David said, "The LORD, who saved me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear, will save me from the hand of this Philistine." So Saul said to David, "Go, and may the LORD be with you!"

³⁸Saul clothed David with his armor; he put a bronze helmet on his head and clothed him with a coat of mail. ³⁹David strapped Saul's sword over the armor, and he tried in vain to walk, for he was not used to them. Then David said to Saul, "I cannot walk with these; for I am not used to them." So David removed them. ⁴⁰Then he took his staff in his hand, and chose five smooth stones from the wadi, and put them in his shepherd's bag, in the pouch; his sling was in his hand, and he drew near to the Philistine.

⁴¹The Philistine came on and drew near to David, with his shield-bearer in front of him. ⁴²When the Philistine looked and saw David, he disdained him, for he was only a youth, ruddy and handsome in appearance. ⁴³The Philistine said to David, "Am I a dog, that you come to me with sticks?" And the Philistine cursed David by his gods. ⁴⁴The Philistine said to David, "Come to me, and I will give your flesh to the birds of the air and to the wild animals of the field." ⁴⁵But David said to the Philistine, "You come to me with sword and spear and javelin; but I come to you in the name of the LORD of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. ⁴⁶This very day the LORD will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you down and cut off your head; and I will give the dead bodies of the Philistine army this very day to the birds of the air and to the wild animals of the earth, so that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel, ⁴⁷and that all this assembly may know that the LORD does not save by sword and spear; for the battle is the LORD's and he will give you into our hand."

⁴⁸When the Philistine drew nearer to meet David, David ran quickly toward the battle line to meet the Philistine. ⁴⁹David put his hand in his bag, took out a stone, slung it, and struck the Philistine on his forehead; the stone sank into his forehead, and he fell face down on the ground.

A: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSIVE READING: FROM PSALM 9

A: You, O Lord, will be a refuge for the oppressed,

C: you will be a refuge in time of trouble.

A: Those who know your name will put their trust in you,

C: you never forsake those who seek you, O Lord.

A: Sing praise to the Lord who dwells in Zion;

C: proclaim to the peoples the things God has done.

A: The Lord is revealed in acts of justice;

C: the wicked are trapped in the works of their own hands.

A: The nations go down to the grave, all the peoples that forget God.

C: For the needy shall not always be forgotten, nor shall the hope of the poor be taken away.

A: Rise up, O Lord, let not mortals have the upper hand;

C: let the nations be judged before you.

A: Put them in fear, O Lord;

C: let the nations know they are but mortal.

SECOND READING: 2 CORINTHIANS 6:1-13

¹As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. ²For he says, "At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you." See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! ³We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, ⁴but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, ⁵beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; ⁶by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, ⁷truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; ⁸in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; ⁹as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; ¹⁰as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

¹¹We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. ¹²There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. ¹³In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

A: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand as you are able)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL READING: MARK 4:35-41

P: The holy gospel according to St. Mark.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁵When evening had come, [Jesus said to the disciples,] “Let us go across to the other side.” ³⁶And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. ³⁷A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. ³⁸But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, “Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?” ³⁹He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, “Peace! Be still!” Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. ⁴⁰He said to them, “Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?” ⁴¹And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, “Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?”

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

SERMON

(Please stand as you are able)

HYMN OF THE DAY: ETERNAL FATHER, STRONG TO SAVE

#856



1 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, whose arm has bound the
2 O Sav - ior, whose al - might - y word the winds and waves sub -
3 O Ho - ly Spir - it, who didst brood up - on the cha - os
4 O Trin - i - ty of love and pow'r, all trav - 'lers guard in



rest - less wave, who bade the might - y o - cean deep its
mis - sive heard, who walked up - on the foam - ing deep, and
dark and rude, and bid its an - gry tu - mult cease, and
dan - ger's hour from rock and tem - pest, fire and foe, pro -



own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: oh, hear us when we
calm a - mid the storm didst sleep: oh, hear us when we
give, for wild con - fu - sion, peace: oh, hear us when we
tect them where - so - e'er they go; thus ev - er - more shall



cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
rise to thee glad hymns and praise from land and sea.

Text: William Whiting, 1825–1878, alt.
Music: MELITA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

APOSTLES' CREED

A: Together with the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**C: 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.**

(Please kneel or be seated)

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH *(after each petition...)*

A: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

MEAL

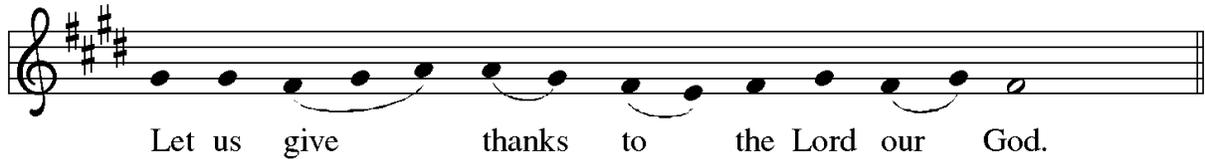
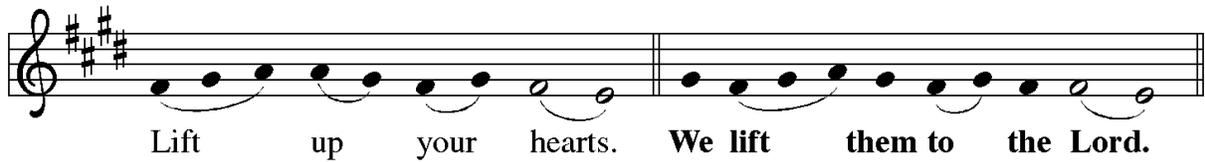
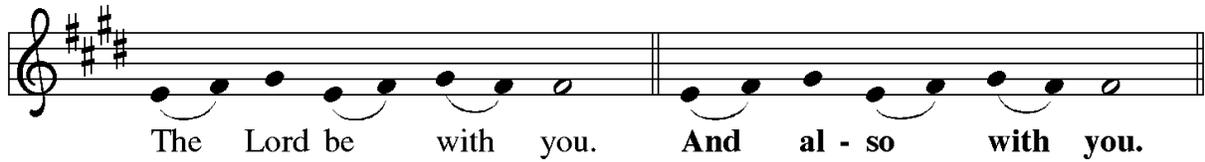
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Please consider giving by text or online: www.epiphanydayton.org/giveserve. You can also access GIVE+ Text instructions from the same drop-down menu or simply text the dollar amount of your contribution to 833-941-1494.

(Please stand as you are able)

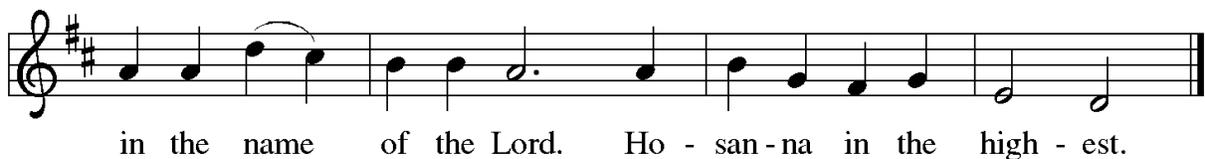
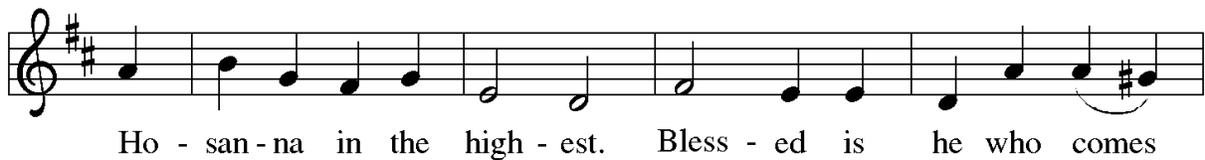
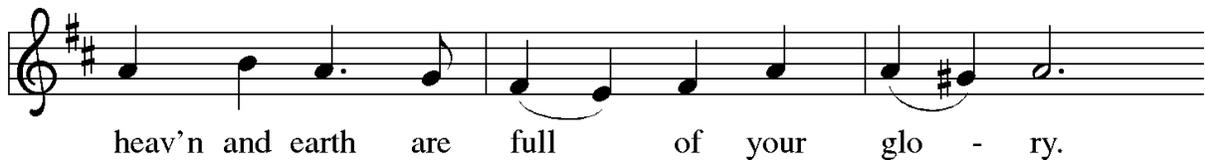
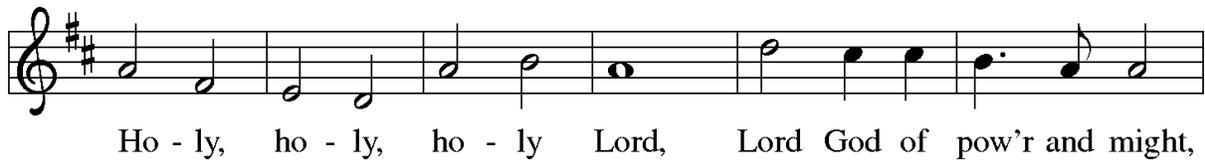
OFFERING PRAYER

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P: You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God....

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

P: Remembering, therefore, his salutary command....

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

(Please be seated)

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

Homebound List and Communion: If you are unable to attend worship due to health concerns, please contact the church office to be included on the homebound list.

COMMUNION HYMN: O GOD, OUR HELP IN AGES PAST

#632



1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
2 Un - der the shad - ow of your throne your saints have dwelt se - cure;
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood or earth re - ceived its frame,
4 A thou - sand a - ges in your sight are like an eve - ning gone,



our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:
suf - fi - cient is your arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
from ev - er - last - ing you are God, to end - less years the same.
short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
bears all our years away;
they fly forgotten, as a dream
dies at the op'ning day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
still be our guard while troubles last
and our eternal home.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt.

Music: ST. ANNE, William Croft, 1678–1727

(Please stand as you are able)

SEND

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BLESSING OF FATHERS

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN: MY LIFE FLOWS ON IN ENDLESS SONG

#763



1 My life flows on in end - less song; a - bove earth's lam-en - ta - tion,
2 Through all the tu - mult and the strife, I hear that mu-sic ring - ing.
3 What though my joys and com-forts die? The Lord my Sav-ior liv - eth.
4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a foun - tain ev - er spring-ing!



I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn that hails a new cre - a - tion.
It finds an ech - o in my soul. How can I keep from sing-ing?
What though the dark - ness gath-er round? Songs in the night he giv - eth.
All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from sing-ing?

Refrain



No storm can shake my in-most calm while to that Rock I'm cling-ing.



Since Christ is Lord of heav-en and earth, how can I keep from sing-ing?

Text: Robert Lowry, 1826–1899
Music: HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING, Robert Lowry, alt.

DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE: THIS IS MY FATHER'S WORLD (arr. Robert Hobby)

PARISH NOTES

The Far Hills altar flowers are given by Mark and Claire Chilson in honor of the marriage of Sarah Chilson and Nick Pracht on June 18, 2021.

The red roses on the altars are placed in celebration of the birth of Ezra Robert Hahn, son of Sarah and Matt Hahn and grandson of Bob and Mary Fran Ransbottom.

Hospitalized: Dave Chance, Joyce Evans, Ron Geibert

Homebound List and Communion

If you are unable to attend worship due to health concerns, please contact Natalie Heimann (nheimann@epiphanydayton.org) to be included on the homebound list. In addition, if your or a loved one's health or mobility status has changed in the last year, or if you or a homebound loved one moved, please let us know this information as well.

Outreach Drive for St. Vincent's Homeless Shelter Collecting Items June 7-21

Far Hills Outdoor Chapel and Gathering Space

The new, unused items being requested include:

- Men's and women's underwear, sizes S to 4X
- Men's white t-shirts. Sizes S to 4X
- Men's and women's socks
- Deodorant
- Nail clippers
- Chap Sticks
- Sunscreen
- Disposable razors

Thank you for supporting our community outreach. We love Jesus by serving others! For questions, contact Cindy Ginger at (937)554-5224. Meijer Simply Give Campaign

Meijer Simply Give Campaign Runs Through July 3

Giving Options:

- In partner store on Springboro Pike
- Cash or check to Epiphany Lutheran Church with "Meijer" in the memo.
- Through online giving

Give Altar Flowers, Eternal Flame

Give altar flowers in honor, celebration or memory of loved ones, and you may also light the Eternal Flame in memory of loved ones. The cost is \$30 for flowers and \$10 to light the flame. Give online or by check made out to Epiphany with altar flowers or eternal flame noted in the memo. Please contact Natalie Heimann (nheimann@epiphanydayton.org).

Let Us Pray for You! We want to know when you're hospitalized or when you have a life event, such as a birth, marriage, death in the family, etc. Contact Pastor Jay (937-750-2333). Prayer requests can also be sent to nheimann@epiphanydayton.org.

Epiphany Lutheran Church streams one of its worship services every Sunday, and the videos are shared on Epiphany's website and social media channels.

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