

Second Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, June 23, 2019

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GATHERING

PRELUDE

“Allegro”

L. Neff

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

We gather in the name of the Father,
and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Seeking reconciliation with God and neighbor,
let us remember the gift of baptism and confess our sin.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

O God of mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
against one another,
and against your good creation.
We have stored up treasures for ourselves
and turned away our neighbors in need.
We have used our time foolishly and strayed from your path.
Forgive us, that we may know true joy and freedom
through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Through death on the cross, God has given us life and hope.
Your sins are forgiven! Rejoice in the good news of Jesus Christ!

Amen.

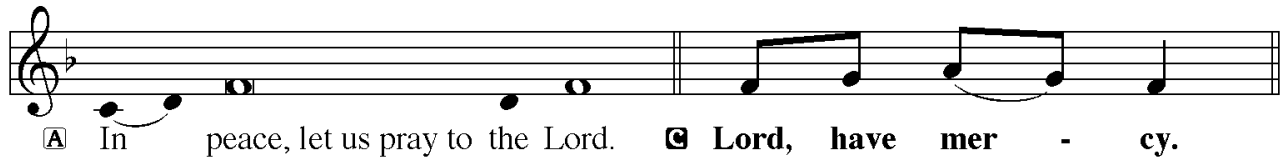
GATHERING HYMN “Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness” #843

GREETING

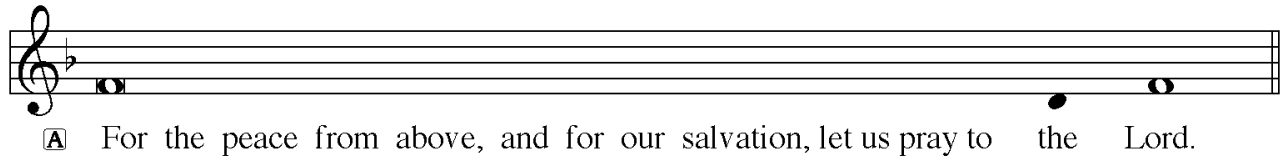
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the
Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

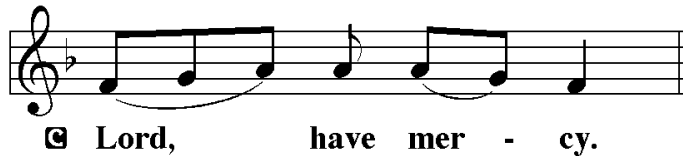
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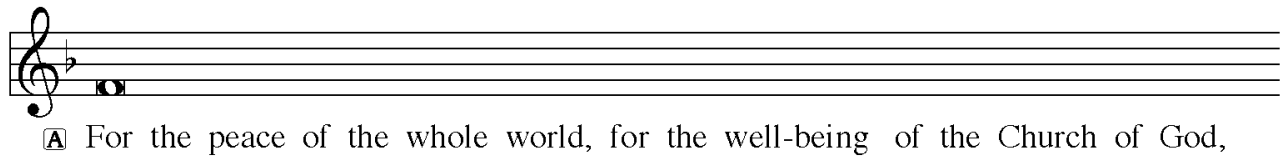
A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



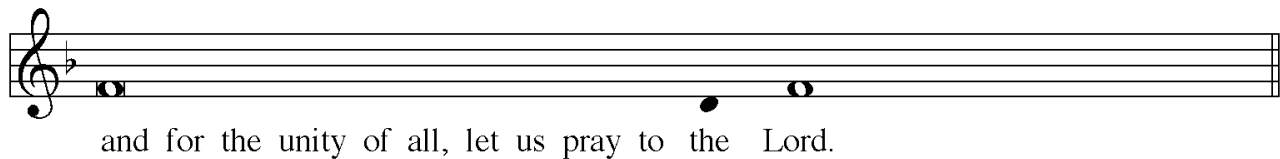
A For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



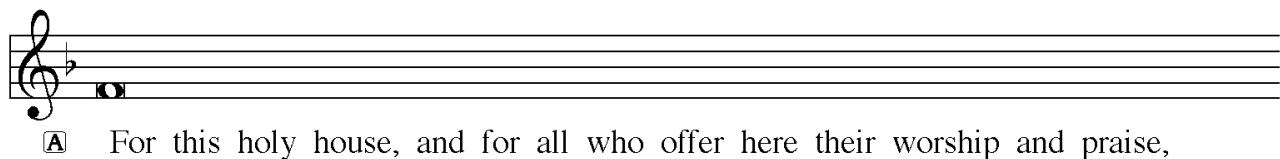
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



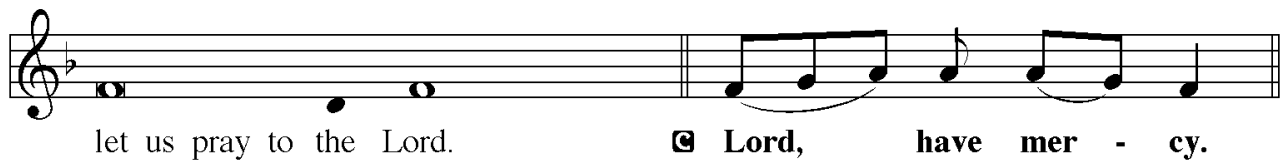
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



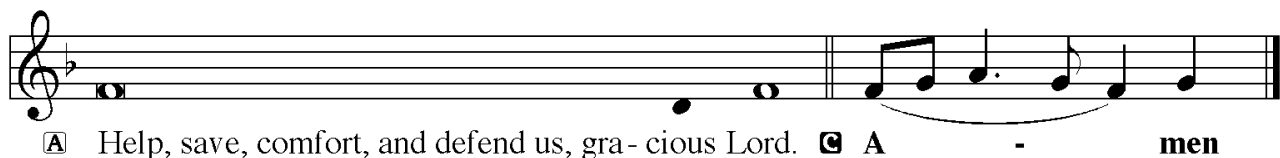
C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **C** A - men

HYMN OF PRAISE



A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



B Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther:



We wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



You are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord God, we bring before you the cries of a sorrowing world. In your mercy set us free from the chains that bind us, and defend us from everything that is evil, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Please be seated.

WORD

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

¹I was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask,
to be found by those who did not seek me.

I said, "Here I am, here I am,"
to a nation that did not call on my name.

²I held out my hands all day long
to a rebellious people,
who walk in a way that is not good,
following their own devices;

³a people who provoke me
to my face continually,
sacrificing in gardens
and offering incense on bricks;

⁴who sit inside tombs,
and spend the night in secret places;
who eat swine's flesh,
with broth of abominable things in their vessels;

⁵who say, "Keep to yourself,
do not come near me, for I am too holy for you."

These are a smoke in my nostrils,
a fire that burns all day long.

⁶See, it is written before me:
I will not keep silent, but I will repay;

I will indeed repay into their laps
 ⁷their iniquities and their ancestors' iniquities together,
says the LORD;
because they offered incense on the mountains
 and reviled me on the hills,
I will measure into their laps
 full payment for their actions.
⁸Thus says the LORD:
As the wine is found in the cluster,
 and they say, "Do not destroy it,
 for there is a blessing in it,"
so I will do for my servants' sake,
 and not destroy them all.
⁹I will bring forth descendants from Jacob,
 and from Judah inheritors of my mountains;
my chosen shall inherit it,
 and my servants shall settle there. (Isaiah 65:1–9)

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 22:19–28 (*read responsively*)

¹⁹But you, O LORD, be not far away;
 O my help, hasten to my aid.
²⁰**Deliver me from the sword,
 my life from the power of the dog.**
²¹Save me from the lion's mouth!
 From the horns of wild bulls you have rescued me.
²²**I will declare your name to my people;
 in the midst of the assembly I will praise you.**
²³You who fear the LORD, give praise! All you of Jacob's line, give glory.
 Stand in awe of the LORD, all you offspring of Israel.
²⁴**For the LORD does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;
 neither is the LORD's face hidden from them;
 but when they cry out, the LORD hears them.**

²⁵From you comes my praise in the great assembly;
I will perform my vows in the sight of those who fear the LORD.

²⁶**The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
Let those who seek the LORD give praise! May your hearts live forever!**

²⁷All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD;
all the families of nations shall bow before God.

²⁸**For dominion belongs to the LORD,
who rules over the nations.**

A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Galatians

²³Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. ²⁴Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. ²⁵But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, ²⁶for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. ²⁷As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. ²⁸There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise. (Galatians 3:23–29)

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand if 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. Al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel Luke 8:26–39

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁶Then [Jesus and his disciples] arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. ²⁷As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. ²⁸When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, “What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me”—²⁹for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) ³⁰Jesus then asked him, “What is your name?” He said, “Legion”; for many demons had entered him. ³¹They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

³²Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. ³³Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

³⁴When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. ³⁵Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid.

³⁶Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. ³⁷Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the

boat and returned. ³⁸The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, ³⁹“Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.” So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY “If You But Trust in God to Guide You” #769

SERMON

THE APOSTLES’ CREED

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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Joining our voices with God's people around the world, let us offer our prayers for those in need.

A brief silence.

For all servants of the gospel, for the church throughout the world, and for all who sing the praise and glory of God, that through the gift of faith, all declare the wonderful name of Christ, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For the well-being of creation, for mountains and lakes, for fields and forests, and for plants and animals, that God lift up good stewards to care for the entire earth, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For the nations and their rulers, for aid workers, and for people in war-torn areas, that God raise up leaders and advocates to work for the equality of all, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For all who cry out in need: the hungry and poor, the downtrodden and outcast, the grieving and the sick (*especially...*), that all know that God is near and hears their cries, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For those who are traveling and absent from worship, for those who work outdoors, and for those who visit our congregation, that God's love lead them in their daily vocations, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For all baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, including those who have died in the faith. Confident that we belong to you in life and in death, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

Merciful God, you hear the prayers of your people even before they are spoken. We commend these and all our prayers to you, trusting in your abundant mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

OFFERING

Ushers: Take the offering plates from the table in the back of the church. Receive the collection along the center aisle, from front to back, then walk behind the last pews and up the side aisles to receive the collection on the outside aisles, again from front to back. Return to the back and wait for the Communion Assistant to come forward with the alms basin.

OFFERTORY

“God Is Our Refuge and Strength”

P. Davis

OFFERTORY HYMN



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our



cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the



seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.



Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the



prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your



pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God, for the greening earth given for all, for the talents we are given to share, and for this bread and wine. Transform us to be the body of Christ, that, feasting on this food and drink, our lives may reflect your generosity; through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

MEAL


GREAT THANKSGIVING



♩ The Lord be with you. ♪ And al - so with you.



♩ Lift up your hearts. ♪ We lift them to the Lord.



♩ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



♪ It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



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



Heav- en and earth are full of your glo- ry. Ho - san- na. Ho - san- na.



Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho- san - na in the high - est.

Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth.

In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son,
that all those who believe in him should not perish,
but have eternal life.

We give thanks to you
for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ.

Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts,
that we may receive our Lord with a living faith
as he comes to us in his holy supper.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

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.

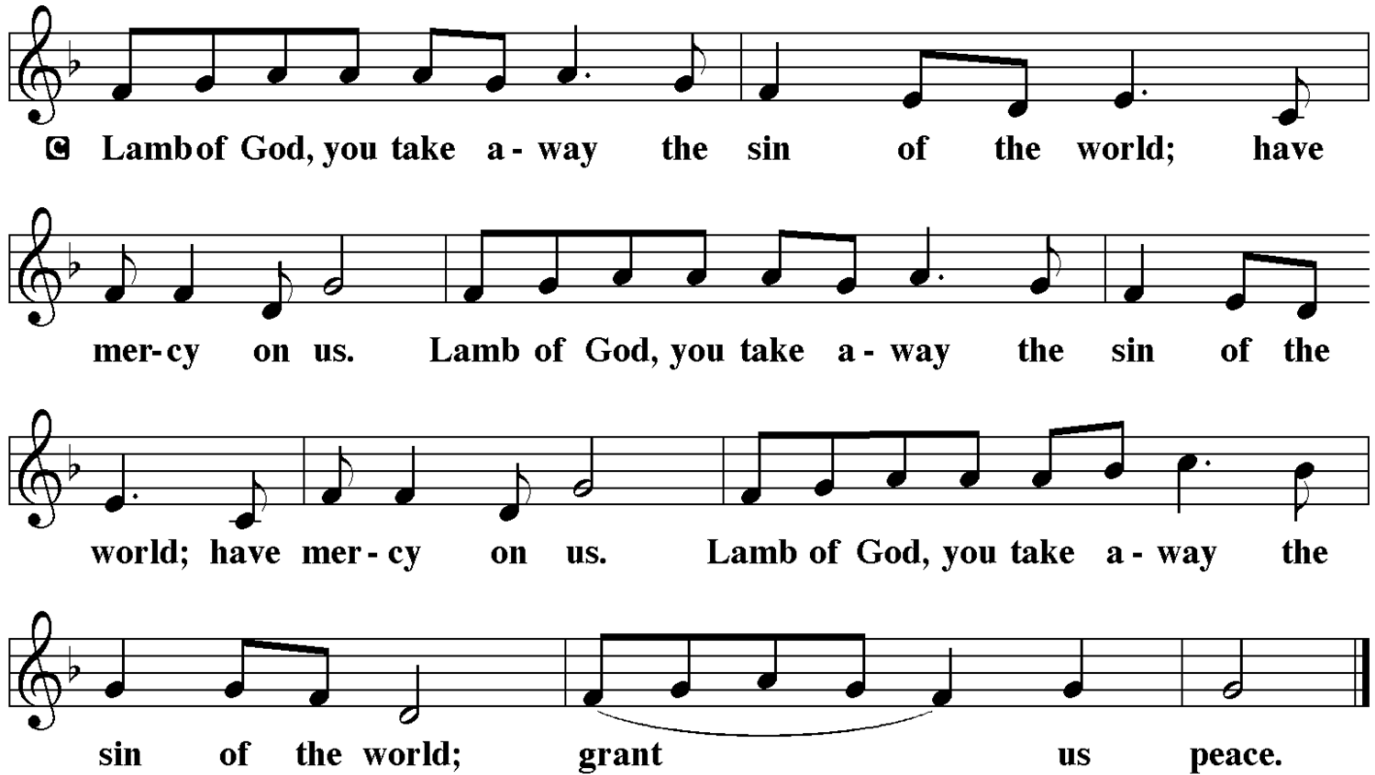
THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

God invites you to this table of bounty.
Come, for the banquet is ready!

AGNUS DEI



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

DISTRIBUTION

The Sacrament will be distributed by Intinction, pulpit side first. Please move into the center aisle, proceed to the Pastor, and receive the bread in your open hand. Then turn to the assistant, where you may dip the host into the wine and partake, returning to your seat by the side aisle. The lectern side will follow, then the choir. Those unable to come forward may receive the Sacrament in their pews.

COMMUNION HYMN

“Spirit of Gentleness”

#396

TABLE BLESSING

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

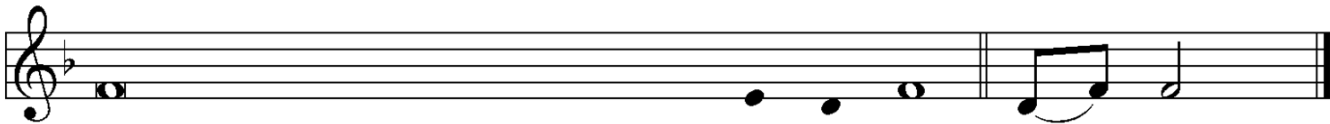
PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, in this holy communion you have welcomed us into your presence, nourished us with words of mercy, and fed us at your table. Amid the cares of this life, strengthen us to love you with all our heart, serve our neighbors with a willing spirit, and honor the earth you have made; through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING



☐ 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. ☑ A - men

SENDING HYMN

“On Our Way Rejoicing”

#537

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

“Jubilate Deo”

E. Wetherill

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Altar flowers are presented in honor of my grandchildren, Isabella and Xavier, by Barbara Lafko.

Today’s bulletins are presented in memory of Lois Sklar by her family.

SERVING TODAY (6/23/19)

9:30 AM

LECTOR: Hope Clarke; COMMUNION ASSISTANT: Chris Long; USHERS: Gloria Dierwechter & Barb Sterner; ACOLYTE/CRUCIFER:; GREETER: Jim Spotts; COUNTERS: Connie Teter, Jean Premich & Barb Sterner; ALTAR GUILD: Jean Premich & Joyce O'Rourke

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY (6/30/19)

9:30 AM

LECTOR: Bob Schuld II; COMMUNION ASSISTANT: Doug Travor; USHERS: Juli Schenck & Jim Spotts; ACOLYTE/CRUCIFER:; GREETER: Jim Spotts; COUNTERS: Gwen Wehr, Tom Wehr & Glenda Bright; ALTAR GUILD: Jean Premich & Joyce O'Rourke

CALENDAR

Saturday, June 22	5:30 PM	Worship
Sunday, June 23	9:30 AM	Worship
Monday, June 24	6:30 PM	FPU
Wednesday, June 26	6:00 PM	Bell Choir
	7:00 PM	Chancel Choir
Thursday, June 27	6:00 PM	Mutual Ministry
	7:00 PM	Property Committee

INSTALLATION SERVICE

Sunday, June 30, at 4:00 PM

Members and friends of St. Paul’s are invited to the installation of Pastor Michael T. Petresky, which will be held at 4:00 PM on Sunday, June 30, 2019. The Rev. Dr. Samuel R. Zeiser, Bishop of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod, will preside; and the Rev. Jonathan Jenkins, Pastor of the Klingerstown Parish and Dean of the Upper Dauphin Conference, will give the message. Refreshments will be served in the Gathering Room following the service.

Please join us for this special service and help us “officially” welcome Pastor Mike and his family into our community of faith. You will find a sign-up sheet for your attendance on the counter under the bulletin board in the Gathering Room. We ask that you sign up by June 23 so we know how many people will be attending and can plan from there.

COOKBOOK

The Evangelism Committee is planning a new cookbook for St. Paul’s. Everyone is invited to share their recipes with us. We are hoping for a large response and hope to have the book in time for our annual church bazaar in October.

Please provide your recipes no later than **July 21**. The recipes should be typed and sent to jenniferlbetz@gmail.com or placed in the narthex. Handwritten or printed recipes are also accepted. Any comments about the recipe can be added.

SUMMER FELLOWSHIP TABLE

Also, back by popular demand—**Summer Fellowship Table**. St. Paul’s committees, a family, or a group of individuals can sign up to bring light refreshments for the congregation to share after the 9:30 service beginning June 16. Please see the signup sheet in the gathering room. **SPONSORS NEEDED!**

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FRIENDSHIP PADS

Please sign the friendship pads in the pews. Visitors are encouraged to sign the guest book in the narthex.

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY...

If you or someone you know needs immediate pastoral care,
please call 717-649-3532.
