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SEASON OF PENTECOST
4th Sunday after Pentecost
July 6, 2025 9:30am

Congregation Announcements

Sharing the Peace

Call to Worship

One: Thank you God, for every season of the year.

Many: Pines bedecked by the whitest of snow in winter.

One: Maples turned orange and red as frost hints at the edges of autumn

Many: Daffodils and crocuses arising as the first sentinels of spring.

One: And summer?

Many: What a list! Brats on the grill, raspberries for dessert, air-dried sheets, fairway shots that kick up the morning dew, kids on bikes, flip-flops on a beach, fireflies just off the porch.....we're just getting started!

One: And so on this holiday weekend, in a world that's far from perfect, there is still something there...

Many: Something we all share. Something good and alive and renewing.

One: Thank you God, for chances to rest and renew.

Many: Thank you God for life itself. Thank you for any person and every season of our lives!

One: Amen. And....

Many: Amen!

Opening Hymn **ELW #879 vs. 1-4** *"For the Beauty of the Earth"*

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

Many: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day (Based on today's Gospel)

One: You are the one who sends us ahead in life, Lord.

Many: You do not always lead the way. You know we have much to learn and share when we get to choose life's path. You know we will make mistakes too. Thank you for trusting us, sending us, forgiving us, and sustaining us for life's long run. Make us better about checking in with each other along the way, carrying each other's loads when we can, and breaking bread at the end of the day; a constant reminder of your presence and sustenance wherever we go. We pray, alive and more alive because of you. Amen.

First Lesson: Isaiah 66:10-14 Bulletin Insert

Part of the final chapter of Isaiah, this poem imagines a restored Jerusalem sheltering the struggling people of Israel like a mother comforts her child.

Psalmody: Psalm 66:1-9 Bulletin Insert

Like many of Psalms this one sees an unbroken stream of deliverances by God; ones not limited to a single people or land.

Second Reading: Galatians 6:7-16 Bulletin Insert

Galatians is one of the earliest letters we have from Paul, written perhaps as little as 20-25 years after Jesus. Trained scribes usually did the actual writing, but Paul writes the last verses of this letter himself! It's his way of signaling, I really, really, really want you to listen to this!

Gospel: John 10:1-11, 16-20 Bulletin Insert

As chapter 9 ended, Jesus turned south and began the journey to Jerusalem. He begins by sending out advance scouts to see which villages to visit. Interestingly, their positive experiences eventually lead, to next week's gospel lesson; a story Jesus tells about a trip that didn't go so well, the parable of the Good Samaritan.

Response after the announcement: Glory to you, O Lord.

Response after the conclusion: Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE "The Risks He Wants Us To Take"

Hymn of the Day **ELW #555** "Oh, Sing to God Above"

APOSTLES' CREED Blue Bookmark in Hymnal

Prayers

Offering

Offertory Prayer

One: Creator God,

Many: in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. AMEN.

The Great Thanksgiving

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 our thanks and praise

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Any and all are welcome at Christ's table. Please join us!

Communion Distribution

An usher will come to let you know when to come forward to receive communion. Please hold your hand out so the Pastor can drop the wafer in your hand. Then the usher will hand you a cup of either wine (purple) or grape juice (white), please let them know your preference.

Baskets are available for your empty cup.

If walking is difficult for you, please tell an usher that you would like to be served where you are seated.

Distribution Hymn **ELW #689** "Praise and Thanksgiving"

Communion Blessing

Post Communion Prayer

One: Nourishing God,

Many: you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name. AMEN.

Benediction

Closing Hymn **ELW #836** "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

In person attendance implies consent to be included in the live streamed and recorded worship service.



Members celebrating a birthday this week:

Carter Perman July 8

Julie Goll July 11

Members celebrating Wedding

Anniversaries in July:

Dan & Pam Bogenschuetz July 7

John & Barbara Horner-Ibler July 9

Steve & Megal Specht July 10

Jon & Joanne Strassburger July 17

Dan & Amy Buehler July 22

Roger & Audrey Knutson July 22



Karen Bruinooge, organist 920-457-4285 Kristin Madson, custodian 980-9012

Welcome Visitors! Thanks for being here! You are welcome to our communion table during the service. You're also welcome to explore our building, visit our web site (www.stlukeshebfalls.org), or participate in anything St. Luke has happening. Talk to Pastor John or any friendly face (everyone!) if you'd like to know more about us.

Those serving the Lord:

	<u>Today</u>	<u>July 13, 9:30am</u>
<u>Greeters:</u>	Jeff & Donna Parrish	Carol Wedepohl
<u>Ushers:</u>	Aaron Strassburger Lucas Strassburger	Randy Meyer Jack Parrish
<u>Reader:</u>	Pam Bogenschuetz	Marilyn Meyer
<u>Communion:</u>	Brenda Strassburger	Marilyn Meyer
<u>AV Tech:</u>	Becky Kuhlow	Pam Bogenschuetz (if needed)
<u>Bread Baker:</u>	Pam Bogenschuetz	Ginny Kapelanski



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COFFEE HOURS- Join us on any Sunday morning between 8:30 and 9:30 for something sweet and coffee/tea in the library-kitchen area. Come hang out with us. If you would like to host, there is a signup sheet in the narthex. Hosting consists of bringing some treats. If you know how to make coffee, GREAT. But if you don't, there are others that can help in that area. July 13 and 27th along with all August dates are open. Questions, contact John H-I, Aaron Strassburger or Andrea Meyer.



Can July 13 Match June 8? Our next outdoor service is NEXT Sunday, July 13. Back on June 8 we could not have had better weather: low 70's, light breeze, warm sunshine. And, most of all, lots of good folks enjoying



each other and God's creation! Join us outdoors on July 13! We'll have additional shade areas set up. We meet outside in the garden area east of the garage. We'll have extra chairs available but bring a lawn chair if you can. If it's cold, super hot, super windy, or rainy, we just move inside. Oh, and FYI, there will be no YouTube live stream for that service but we will be live on our Facebook page.

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**THE
HARVEST
IS PLENTIFUL,
BUT THE
LABORERS
ARE FEW.**

LUKE 10:2



July 6, 2025 9:30am

Announcements:



COUNCIL MEETING will be held in the library on Tuesday July 8 starting at 6:30pm. June minutes and July agenda are on the bulletin board by the balcony staircase.

BITS & PREACHES (newsletter) will be sent out on Fri. July 25. If you have something you would like to include, please have it to the office by noon on Thursday July 17.



FOOD PANTRY ITEMS - JULY suggested donations are *spices and condiments*. There is a list on the collection can for recommended ideas. Also accepting recycled PLASTIC BAGS (Walmart, Target, Piggly Wiggly, etc.). The Sheboygan Falls Food Pantry is open the 2nd Sat. of each month from 9-11am, in addition to every Thurs. from 9-11am, located at 529 Giddings Ave. in Sheb. Falls.



THE WORD IN SEASON *July-September 2025* booklets are available in the narthex. Please take or share compliments of St. Luke.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL will be on Wednesday, August 20 and Thursday, August 21 from 6:00-8:00 pm in the evening! We need all of you to consider being a part of it! We need Pre-K through 6th grade kids to be here for learning and fun. We need grade 7-12 kids to help leader the younger ones in crafts and games and we need a few adults to help lead and work on food. Registration forms are in the narthex and library.



SUMMER FARMERS MARKET is held at Fountain Park in Sheboygan from 8am-1pm every Wednesday and Saturday until the end of October. Also, Food Trucks on Saturdays! By shopping at your local Farmers Market you are:

- Supporting your local farmers
- Purchasing locally grown products
- Providing fresh, healthy food for your family
- Supporting SCIO



There are **MANY EVENTS** and **ACTIVITIES** happening in our community to attend and/or support. Check out the bulletin board in the narthex for things that might appeal to you. ☺

SUMMER STUDIES: NOW DAYTIME and EVENING OPTIONS

Our current study is *Family Relations in the Bible: Parenting, Siblings, Gender, Sex, Discord, and Love*. We meet at 11am in the Library in the basement and for the last two weeks we'll add in an evening Zoom/Facebook option at 7:00pm. Zoom link came to everyone last Wednesday's (July 2) all congregation emailing. But, if you didn't get that and need the link just email John H-I. (See p.1 of bulletin). This



study continues through July 14.

Then, Mondays, August 11, 18, and 25 we'll have our second summer study: *People Being Their Best: Stories Even a Cynic Will Appreciate*. This one focuses on examples of day-to-day common sense and goodness that you find in the Bible. Not the huge miracles, just people still being an inspiration all these years later. Offered at 11:00am and 7:00pm.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER SIGN-UP: We'd like to start getting people lined up to teach Sunday School for the 2025-26 school year. Sunday School starts at 8:30 and runs until shortly before worship starts at 9:30am. We offer lots of support and all the materials needed. Currently we are running a "one-room-schoolhouse" for kids ages 4 - 6th grade. That might change based on how many kids we have and how the ages break out.

Few things are more joyful and important than helping little ones experience the faith community. That's what we do each week. You need virtually no bible knowledge...what you do need is in the materials. What you most bring is love and a little structure and then based on how you are, some mix of games, art, music, serving projects, mini-construction projects, outdoor scavenger hunts, science "experiments," you name it! We welcome our kids, engage them, and teach them how faith is about everything in life! We need four teachers signed up so that you can rotate weeks, have two people there on big weeks (think Christmas program), and bring different styles and gifts to our kids. Teachers have traditionally been moms, which is great. We'd like to expand that a little by having at least one man, one person over age 65 and then anyone confirmed age (say 15) and up, who wants to give it a try. Talk to John H-I if you have questions. Sign-up is in the narthex!



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For the Beauty of the Earth

1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the beau - ty of the skies,
 2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,
 3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,
 4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,
 5 For each per - fect gift of thine, peace on earth and joy in heav'n;

for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies;
 hill and vale and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light;
 for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight;
 friends on earth and friends a - bove; for all gen - tle thoughts and mild;
 for thy - self, best gift di - vine, to our world so free - ly giv'n;

Refrain

Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sac - ri - fice of praise.

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Gospel Acclamation

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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.

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Oh, Sing to God Above

Cantemos al Señor



1 Can - te - mos al Se - ñor un him - no de a - le - grí - a,
 2 Can - te - mos al Se - ñor un him - no de a - la - ban - za
 1 Oh, sing to God a - bove a hymn of joy - ful greet - ing,
 2 Oh, sing to God a - bove a hymn of praise and bless - ing,



un cán - ti - co de a - mor al na - cer el nue - vo dí - a.
 que ex - pre - se nues - tro a - mor; nues - tra fe y nues - tra es - pe - ran - za.
 a song of grate - ful love in the new day's light re - peat - ing;
 a song of grate - ful love, hope and faith our hearts ex - press - ing;



El hi - zo el cie - lo, el mar; el sol y las es - tre - llas
 En to - da la crea - ción pre - go - na su gran - de - za,
 you made the sea and sky, the sun and stars in splen - dor;
 cre - a - tion lifts its voice to tell your might and glo - ry,



y vio en e - llos bon - dad, pues sus o - bras e - ran be - llas.
 a - sí nues - tro can - tar va a - nun - cian - do su be - lle - za.
 de - light shone in your eye— all your works were filled with won - der.
 and we, too, will re - joice to pro - claim the sav - ing sto - ry.

Refrain / Estribillo



¡A - le - lu - ya! ¡A - le - lu - ya! Can - te - mos al Se -
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Oh, sing to God a -

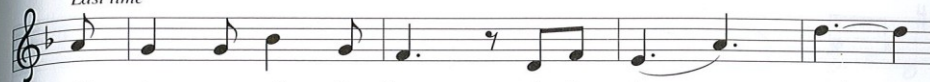


ñor: ¡A - le - lu - ya! ¡A - le - lu - ya! ¡A - le - lu -
 bove: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu -



ya! Can - te - mos al Se - ñor: ¡A - le - lu - ya!
 ia! Oh, sing to God a - bove: Al - le - lu - ia!

Last time



Can - te - mos al Se - ñor: ¡A - le - lu - ya!
 Oh, sing to God a - bove: Al - le - lu - ia!

Praise and Thanksgiving

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1 Praise and thanks-giv-ing, God, we would of-fer for all things
 2 God, bless the la-lor we bring to serve you, that with our
 3 Fa-ther, pro-vid-ing food for your chil-dren, by Wis-dom's
 4 Then will your bless-ing reach ev-ry peo-ple, free-ly con-

liv-ing, you have made good: har-vest of sown fields, fruits of the
 neigh-bor we may be fed. Sow-ing or till-ing, we would work
 guid-ing teach us to share one with an-oth-er, so that, re-
 fess-ing your gra-cious hand. Where you are reign-ing, no one will

or-chard, hay from the mown fields, blos-som and wood.
 with you, har-vest-ing, mill-ing for dai-ly bread.
 joic-ing with us, all oth-ers may know your care.
 hun-ger; your love sus-tain-ing show-ers the land.

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Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee ^[H]

1 Joy-ful, joy-ful we a-dore thee, God of glo-ry, Lord of love!
 2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heav'n re-flect thy rays,
 3 Thou art giv-ing and for-giv-ing, ev-er bless-ing, ev-er blest,

Hearts un-fold like flow'rs be-fore thee, prais-ing thee, their sun a-bove.
 stars and an-gels sing a-round thee, cen-ter of un-bro-ken praise.
 well-spring of the joy of liv-ing, o-cean-depth of hap-py rest!

Melt the clouds of sin and sad-ness, drive the gloom of doubt a-way.
 Field and for-est, vale and moun-tain, flow-'ry mead-ow, flash-ing sea,
 Thou our Fa-ther, Christ our broth-er, all who live in love are thine;

Intro

Giv-er of im-mor-tal glad-ness, fill us with the light of day.
 chant-ing bird, and flow-ing foun-tain call us to re-joice in thee.
 teach us how to love each oth-er, lift us to the joy di-vine!

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