

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

"Whatever Is Foreseen In Joy"

by Wendell Berry

*Whatever is foreseen in joy
must be lived out from day to day.
Vision held open in the dark
by our ten thousand days of work,
Harvest will fill the barn; for that
the hand must ache, the face must sweat.
And yet no leaf or grain is filled
by work of ours; the field is tilled
and left to grace. That we may reap,
great work is done while we're asleep.
When we work well, a Sabbath mood
rests on our day, and finds it good.*

July 9, 2023

Followers of Jesus, sharing God's love with all...
an adventure for life!

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

In Preparation for Worship

- **Within the sanctuary** please remember that some people use this time of silence to prepare for worship.
- **Whenever the cross is carried in procession through the congregation**, we turn to face the cross to signify our way of life as followers of Jesus.
- **Large-print bulletins and copies of the worship order** are available; ask an usher for assistance.
- **Assistive hearing devices** are available from the ushers.
- **Please silence your cell phone.**

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Please be respectful of people who use this time to prepare for worship.

Prelude

The Love of the Lord

Michael Joncas; arr. Mark Hayes

All that I counted as gain
Now I consider as loss,
Empty and worthless to me
In the light of the love of the Lord.

Riches and honors will fade,
Earthly delight disappear,
Fade like the grass of the field
In the light of the love of the Lord.

Refrain:

What more could bring us hope
than to know the pow'r of his life?
What more could bring us peace
than to share in his suff'ring and death?
What more could be our final wish
than to live in the love of the Lord?

Faith is the wealth I possess
Finding its source in my God:
Faith in the promise of Christ
Is my life and my love of the Lord. [*Refrain*]

Welcome

Hymn

Come to Me, All Pilgrims Thirsty

1 "Come to me, all pil-grims thirst - y; drink the wa - ter I will give.
 2 "Come to me, all trav-'lers wea - ry; come that I may give you rest.
 3 "Come to me, be - liev - ers bur - dened; find re - fresh-ment in this place.
 4 "Come to me, re - pen - tant sin - ners; leave be - hind your guilt and shame.

If you knew what gift I of - fer, you would come to me and live."
 Drink the cup of life I of - fer; at this ta - ble be my guest."
 Come, re - ceive the gift I of - fer, turn to me and seek my face."
 Come and know di - vine com - pas - sion, turn to me, I call your name."

Refrain

Je - sus, ev - er - flow - ing foun - tain, give us wa - ter from your well.

In the gra - cious gift you of - fer there is joy no tongue can tell.

Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939
 Music: BEACH SPRING, *The Sacred Harp*, Philadelphia, 1844; arr. *Selected Hymns*, 1985
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Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the friendship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Hymn of Praise

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



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



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.



Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and



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



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and



join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to



God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*



3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

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

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Please be seated

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD

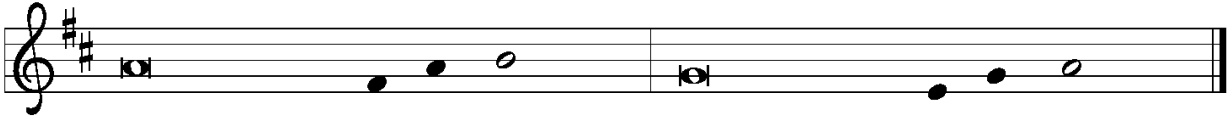
Reading Song of Solomon 2:8-13 (Complete Jewish Bible, inclusivized)
 A reading from the Song of Solomon

The voice of the one I love! My love comes,
 bounding over the mountains, skipping over the hills!
 My darling is like a gazelle or young stag,
 and now is standing outside our wall,
 looking in through the windows,
 peering in through the lattice.
 My darling speaks:
 "Get up, my love! My beauty! Come away!
 For you see that the winter has passed,
 the rain is finished and gone,
 the flowers are appearing in the countryside,
 the time has come for [the birds] to sing,
 and the cooing of doves can be heard in the land.
 The fig trees are forming their unripe figs,
 and the grapevines in bloom give out their perfume.
 Get up, my love, my beauty!
 Come away!"

May we listen for what the Spirit is saying to the church.

Amen.

Psalm 145:8-14



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The LORD is gracious and full [|] of compassion,
slow to anger and abounding in [|] steadfast love.

**Lord, you are [|] good to all,
and your compassion is over [|] all your works.**

All your works shall praise [|] you, O LORD,
and your faithful [|] ones shall bless you.

**They shall tell of the glory [|] of your kingdom
and speak [|] of your power,**

that all people may know [|] of your power
and the glorious splendor [|] of your kingdom.

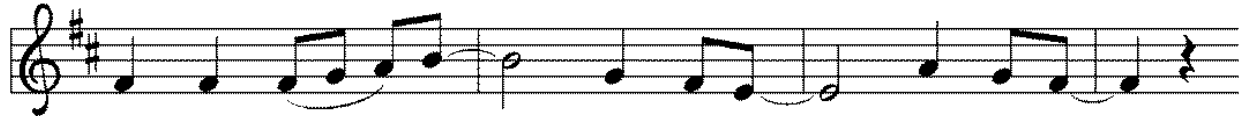
**Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures
through- [|] out all ages.**

**You, LORD, are faithful in all your words, and loving in [|] all your
works.**

The Lord upholds all [|] those who fall
and lifts up those who [|] are bowed down.

Please stand in body or spirit

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 Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30 (Common English Bible, inclusivized)

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the crowds,] “To what will I compare this generation? It is like a child sitting in the marketplaces calling out to others, ‘We played the flute for you and you didn’t dance. We sang a funeral song and you didn’t mourn.’ For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon.’ Yet the Human One came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunk, a friend of tax collectors and sinners.’ But wisdom is proved to be right by her works.”

Jesus said, “I praise you, Ruler of heaven and earth, because you’ve hidden these things from the wise and intelligent and have shown them to babies. Indeed, this brings you happiness.”

“My Abba has handed all things over to me. No one knows the Only Begotten except Abba God. And nobody knows Abba God except the Only Begotten and anyone to whom the Only Begotten wants to give that revelation.

“Come to me, all you who are struggling hard and carrying heavy loads, and I will give you rest. Put on my yoke, and learn from me. I’m gentle and humble. And you will find rest for yourselves. My yoke is easy to bear, and my burden is light.”

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

Spoken Reflection

WHAT KIND OF REST?

Musical Reflection

It Is Well with My Soul

arr. Cindy Berry
Emily Kent, Soloist

When peace, like a river attendeth my way,
when sorrows like sea billows roll;
whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
"It is well, it is well with my soul."

It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.

My sin - O, the bliss of this glorious thought:
my sin - not in part, but the whole,
is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more.
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.

And, Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight,
the clouds be rolled back as a scroll.
The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend,
Even so, it is well with my soul.

It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.
It is well with my soul.

Apostles' Creed

Let us confess our faith in the Triune God as expressed in these historic words:

**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.**

Community Prayers

Let us pray....

Amen.

Included in our daily prayers are those with special needs or concerns:

Bebe McCoy, Robin Stokes, Bonnie Hegreiness, Heidi Carman, Mary Kennedy, Kevin Bailey's sister Kleta Childs, Kathie and Nancy Ehrich and their sister Betty Weaver, Jeremy Davis, Bebe McCoy's brother-in-law Walt and her sister Jan, Brittany Parsons, Mary Bowling's sister Val, John Kennedy's niece Michele Wolfe, Becky Trover's sister Maddie Sutphin, Skye Andree, Laura Warren's brother Walt Hudson, Julie Larson and husband Eli who is receiving cancer treatment in Houston, Phillip Hall and Kirstin Roberts, John Caron, Kathleen Zwanziger, Wendy Stoica, Matt Bird, Earl and Edwina Bradley's niece Tina Monroe, Chris Doss and Adam Howard, Kevin Bailey, Carolyn Moehring, Kelley Frank's parents Charlotte and Wayne Frank, friends and family of April Smith's friend Pastor Keith Wolter on the death of his sister Paula Wolter, Al Debelak

The people of Hosanna Lutheran Church in Pataskala; Redeemer community members Emily Kent and Miles Smith

Time with the Young People

Sharing the peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

We take time to greet one another with words like Peace be with you.

WE SHARE HOLY COMMUNION AND HEALING PRAYER

Jesus invited all who were hungry for food, healing, justice, and joy to share this communion meal.

Since this is his meal, and he is present to us in it, all are welcome.

During the Rite of Communion, Prayers and Prayer Assistants will assemble on the steps of the sanctuary to offer a gentle touch and blessing. Those who wish to receive this healing in their pews may let an usher know and the healing team will come to you. Jesus often touched others—blessing children, washing feet, and healing injuries or disease. Such an act is a tangible expression of the presence of the healing Christ, working in and through those who minister in His name.

In body or spirit, please stand

Offertory

We All Are One in Mission

1 We all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call,
our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.
A sin - gle great com - mis - sion com - pels us from a - bove
to plan and work to - geth - er that all may know Christ's love.

Text: Rusty Edwards, b. 1955

Music: KUORTANE, Finnish folk tune; arr. hymnal version

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Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

Lift up your hearts.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**And also with you.
We lift them to the Lord.**

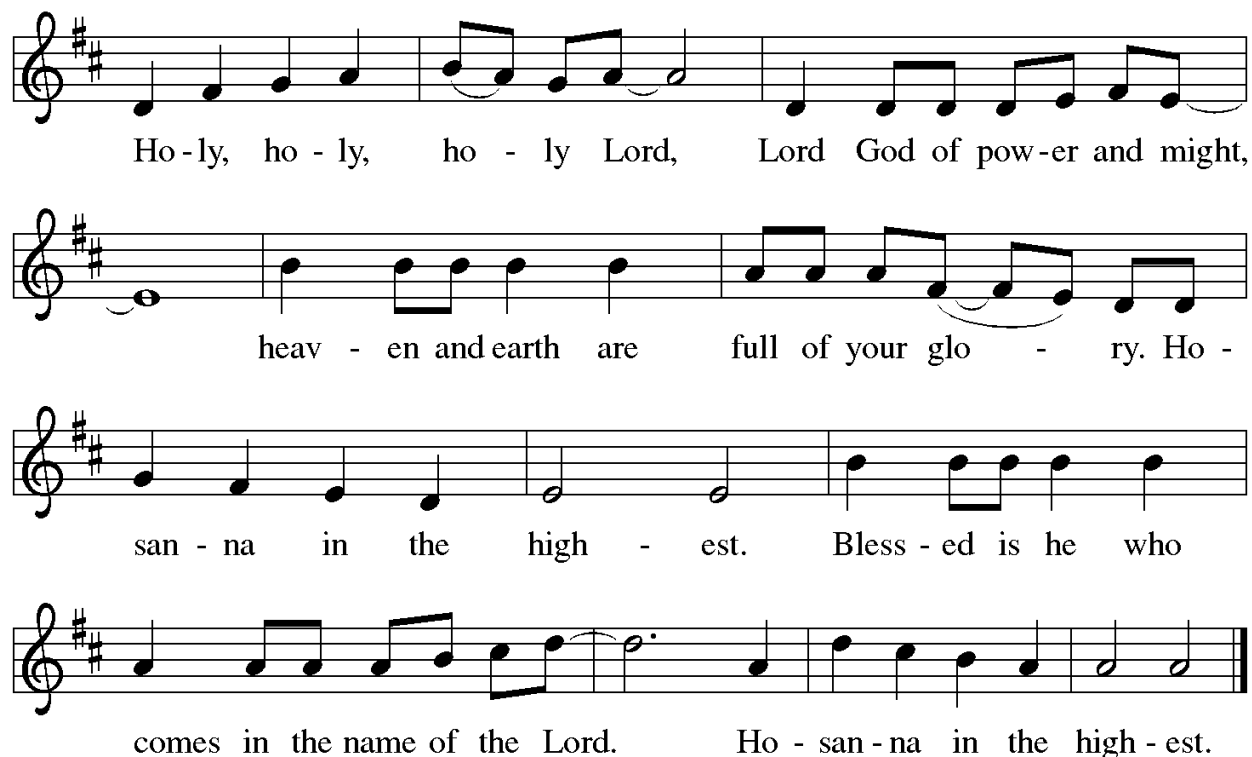
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

God, you are before all things; you are beyond all things; and in the midst of all things and all peoples you have made yourself known.

In Israel's ancient stories, and in stories of people, communities, and nations seeking identity, feeling their strength, and struggling with their weakness, you have made yourself known.

In Jesus of Nazareth, in compassion for the outcast, forgiveness for the fallen, hope for the poor and hungry; in his life poured out for others and broken by hatred and fear, you have made yourself known.

Therefore we join our praises with countless people before us, celebrating your power in goodness and your might in compassion, as we sing:



Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, Lord God of pow-er and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. 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.

We greet the one who comes in your name: your true light, your true love, the bread of compassion, the wine of renewal.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, Jesus took bread, gave you thanks, broke it, and gave it to his friends, saying, "Take this and eat: This is my body, which is given for you. Do this to remember me."

After supper he took the cup of wine, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you: This is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Do this to remember me."

Come to us, Spirit of our Lord of love, and let the bread and wine before us bear your life to our life, nourish us with Jesus' vision of hope, and unite us in one body of peace.

Nourish us with your brokenness, renew us with your poured out life,
empower us with your powerlessness, that we may take root in your
risen life and bear fruit in your world.

We commit ourselves to walk in your way as we pray:

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

Sharing the Meal

The gifts of God, for the people of God. Jesus welcomed all to this meal.
So do we.


Please be seated

You may come forward to receive the elements, remain seated and use the pre-filled communion cups available at the door, or let an usher know you'd like to be served in your seat. Wine is in the outer rings of the tray, grape-apple juice in the inner ring. Gluten-free wafers are available on request, ask Pastor.

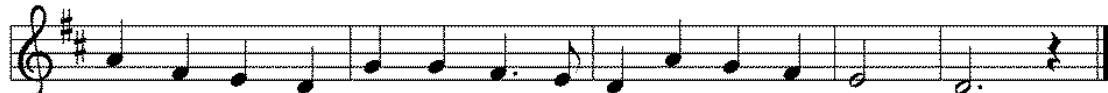
Hymn

Healer of Our Every Ill

Refrain



Heal - er of our ev - 'ry ill, light of each to - mor - row,



give us peace be - yond our fear, and hope be - yond our sor - row.



- 1 You who know our fears and sad - ness, grace us with your
- 2 In the pain and joy be - hold - ing how your grace is
- 3 Give us strength to love each oth - er, ev - 'ry sis - ter,
- 4 You who know each thought and feel - ing, teach us all your



peace and glad - ness; Spir - it of all com - fort, fill our hearts.
still un - fold - ing, give us all your vi - sion, God of love.
ev - 'ry broth - er; Spir - it of all kind - ness, be our guide.
way of heal - ing; Spir - it of com - pas - sion, fill each heart.

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: HEALER OF OUR EVERY ILL, Marty Haugen

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Hymn

Day by Day

1 Day by day, your mer - cies, Lord, at - tend me, bring - ing com - fort
 2 Day by day, I know you will pro - vide me strength to serve and
 3 Oh, what joy to know that you are near me when my bur - dens

to my anx - ious soul. Day by day, the bless - ings, Lord, you send me
 wis - dom to o - bey; I will seek your lov - ing will to guide me
 grow too great to bear; oh, what joy to know that you will hear me

draw me near - er to my heav'n - ly goal. Love di - vine, be - yond all
 o'er the paths I strug - gle day by day. I will fear no e - vil
 when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer. Day by day, no mat - ter

mor - tal mea - sure, brings to naught the bur - dens of my quest; Sav - ior,
 of the mor - row, I will trust in your en - dur - ing grace. Sav - ior,
 what be - tide me, you will hold me ev - er in your hand. Sav - ior,

lead me to the home I trea - sure, where at last I'll find e - ter - nal rest.
 help me bear life's pain and sor - row till in glo - ry I be - hold your face.
 with your pres - ence here to guide me, I will reach at last the prom - ised land.

Text: Carolina Sandell Berg, 1832-1903; tr. Robert Leaf, 1936-2005
 Music: BLOTT EN DAG, Oskar Ahnfelt, 1813-1882
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Please stand in body or spirit

Prayer of Thanksgiving


God of compassion, we thank you for nourishing us with the bread of life and the wine of hope. As in Christ your love flowed out to those around him, so let your love flow through us to others. As in Christ your life was broken, so let your life meet us in our brokenness and fill us all with joy, through Jesus, our life and our joy.

Amen.

WE ARE SENT

Hymn

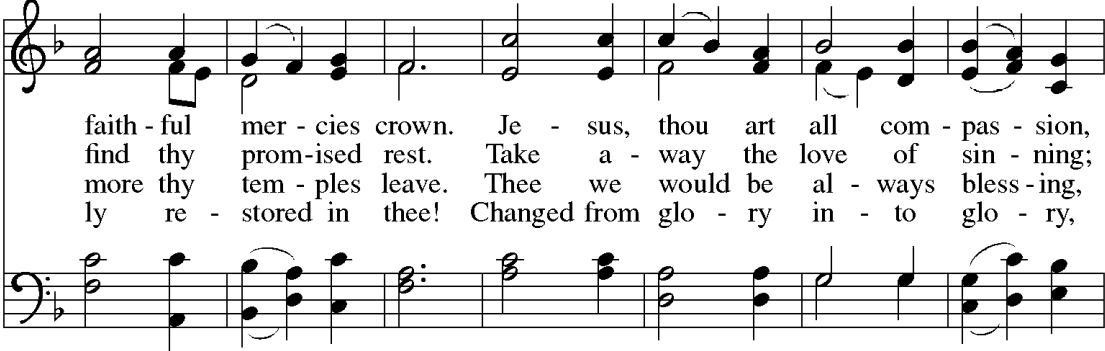
Love Divine, All Loves Excelling



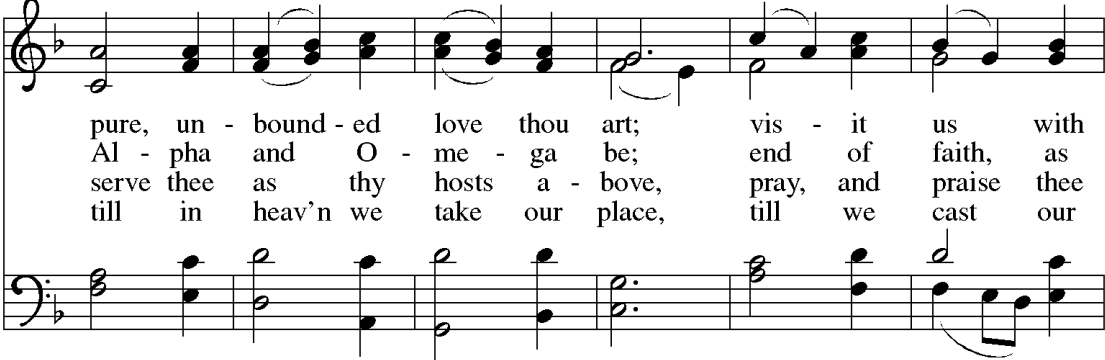
1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heav'n, to
2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - 'ry
3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; let us all thy
4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion, pure and spot - less



earth come down! Fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy
trou - bled breast; let us all in thee in - her - it; let us
life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -
let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -



faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,
find thy prom - ised rest. Take a - way the love of sin - ning;
more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing,
ly re - stored in thee! Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,



pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as
serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee
till in heav'n we take our place, till we cast our

thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.
 its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
 with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
 crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788
 Music: HYFRYDOL, Rowland H. Prichard, 1811–1887

Blessing

Amen.

Announcements

Postlude

***I've Got the Joy*, arr. Pepper Choplin**

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Summer Adult Education

Sermon Talkbacks

On some Sunday mornings for adult ed this summer, we'll be doing what we've done some previous summers: we'll gather after refreshments and talk about any questions or comments participants have about that morning's scripture readings and the reflection. Preachers enjoy this because it turns the sermon from a monologue into a dialogue. And preachers hope participants enjoy it, as it offers opportunities to ask questions, challenge, and engage in conversations that otherwise wouldn't happen.

Join Pastor Dave on July 9, either in person or via Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85132061190?pwd=L1VsUE91c1FodlN5dThTUDNRK3dLQT09>
 Meeting ID: 851 3206 1190 = Passcode: 919341
 Phone only: 1-312-626-6799.

Jennie Telfer
Adult Ed
July 16 = 11:15 am

The program director of Peace Catalyst International will speak about her peace work experiences in North Korea.

In-Person and Zoom:
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A Brewing Faith

Tuesday, July 11, 6:30 pm

Conversation and fellowship

Via Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81765916972?pwd=bjJ0T1JlbG1keXpsV205TWNHVUFpQT09>

Meeting ID: 817 6591 6972- **Passcode:** 190081

Phone only: 312 626 6799



Summer Basketball Camp

June 12 through July 24

Ages 8 - 14

To register,

call the church office

614.237.1263



RLC Garden Giveaway

Produce from our own garden
and donations from friends and neighbors

Saturday mornings

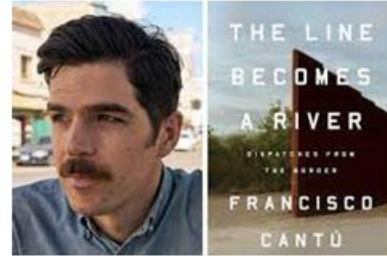
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Summer Book Study

Wednesdays in July

7-8:30 pm

Read Part 2 for July 12



Cantú is a Mexican-American who worked for the U.S. Border Patrol on the Mexican border from 2008-2012.

"There is a line dividing what we know and do not know. Some see the world from one shore and some from the other. Cantú brings the two together to a spiritual whole. My gratitude for this work of the soul."

– author **Sandra Cisneros**



Birthdays this week:

11 - Evelyn Boreman

12 - Payton Amon

13 - Renee Glover Oakleaf

14 - Chase Friederich

15 - Kandice Hoddinott

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Presiding Minister	David Shull, Pastor
Assisting Minister	Emily Ott
Cantor	Mary Benis
ASL Interpreter	Bryan Neal
Organist & Senior Choir Director	Kathy Rapp
Pianist & Chime Choir Director	Karen Kent
Usher	Nate Ott
Verger	Michelle Clemence / Wendy Stoica
Communion Prep	Katie Jacobs, Wendy Stoica
Producers	Sue Yehling, Scott Steiner
Hospitality	Katie Jacobs

*Flowers are dedicated by **Kathleen Zwanziger** in **celebration of new life**.
Noisy Offering will go to Star House.*

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER JULY 9 – 16

Today	10:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion
	11:15 am	IN-PERSON and ZOOM Adult Education
Monday	6:30 pm	Basketball Camp
Tuesday	6:30 pm	ZOOM A Brewing Faith
	6:30 pm	Basketball Camp
Wednesday	6:30 pm	Basketball Camp
	7:00 pm	IN-PERSON and ZOOM Book Group
Thursday	6:30 pm	Basketball Camp
Saturday	10:00 am	Garden Giveaway
Next Sunday	10:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion
	11:15 am	IN-PERSON and ZOOM Adult Education with Jennie Telfer

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