

## Eighth Sunday after Pentecost



Denis Diderot (French philosopher, 1713-84)

**July 14, 2024**

**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**

**Break Now the Bread of Life**

arr. Mark Hayes

**Welcome**



# Hymn

## Gather Us In



1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark - ness  
 2 We are the young, our lives are a mys - t'ry, we are the old who  
 3 Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter, here we will take the  
 4 Not in the dark of build-ings con - fin - ing, not in some heav - en,



van - ished a - way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings  
 yearn for your face; we have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry,  
 bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daugh - ters,  
 light years a - way— here in this place the new light is shin - ing,



brought here to you in the light of this day.  
 called to be light to the whole hu - man race.  
 call us a - new to be salt for the earth.  
 now is the king - dom, and now is the day.



Gath - er us in, the lost and for - sak - en, gath - er us in, the  
 Gath - er us in, the rich and the haugh - ty, gath - er us in, the  
 Give us to drink the wine of com - pas - sion, give us to eat the  
 Gath - er us in and hold us for - ev - er, gath - er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,  
 proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low - ly,  
 bread that is you; nour - ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion  
 make us your own; gath - er us in, all peo - ples to - geth - er,



we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.  
 give us the cour - age to en - ter the song.  
 lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.  
 fire . . of love in our flesh and our bone.

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: GATHER US IN, Marty Haugen

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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

*Refrain*

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

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

*Refrain*

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

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**

**Amos 7:7-15** (New Living Translation, inclusivized)

A reading from the prophet Amos

God showed me this vision: I saw the Lord standing beside a wall that had been built using a plumb line. God was using a plumb line to see if it was still straight. And the Lord said to me, “Amos, what do you see?”

I answered, “A plumb line.”

And the Lord replied, “I will test my people with this plumb line. I will no longer ignore all their sins. The pagan shrines of your ancestors will be ruined, and the temples of Israel will be destroyed; I will bring the dynasty of King Jeroboam to a sudden end.”

Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent a message to Jeroboam, king of Israel: “Amos is hatching a plot against you right here on your very doorstep! What he is saying is intolerable. He is saying, ‘Jeroboam will soon be killed, and the people of Israel will be sent away into exile.’”

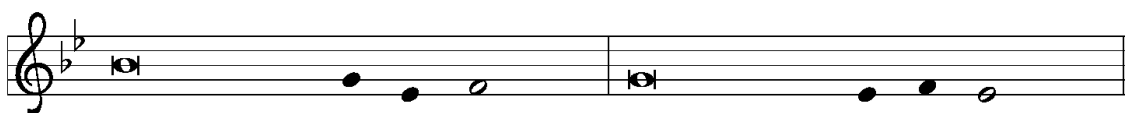
Then Amaziah sent orders to Amos: “Get out of here, you prophet! Go on back to the land of Judah, and earn your living by prophesying there! Don’t bother us with your prophecies here in Bethel. This is the king’s sanctuary and the national place of worship!”

But Amos replied, “I’m not a professional prophet, and I was never trained to be one. I’m just a shepherd, and I take care of sycamore-fig trees. But the Lord called me away from my flock and told me, ‘Go and prophesy to my people in Israel.’”

May we open ourselves to what the Spirit is saying to the church. **Amen.**



## Psalm 85:8-13



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I will listen to what the LORD | God is saying;  
for you speak peace to your faithful people and to those who turn  
their | hearts to you.

**Truly, your salvation is very near to | those who fear you,  
that your glory may dwell | in our land.**

Steadfast love and faithfulness have | met together;  
righteousness and peace have | kissed each other.

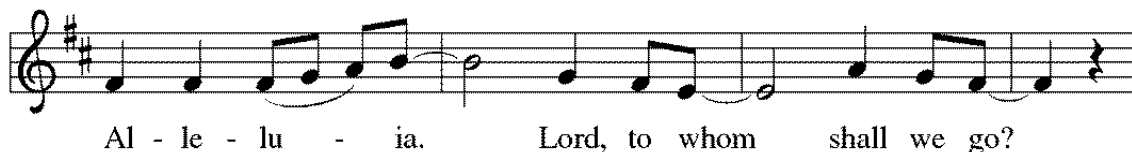
**Faithfulness shall spring up | from the earth,  
and righteousness shall look | down from heaven.**

The LORD will indeed | grant prosperity,  
and our land will | yield its increase.

**Righteousness shall go be- | fore the LORD  
and shall prepare for | God a pathway.**

*Please stand in body or spirit*

## Gospel Acclamation



## **Gospel**

**Mark 6:14-29** (New Living Translation, adapted)

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Herod Antipas, the king, soon heard about Jesus, because everyone was talking about him. Some were saying, "This must be John the Baptist raised from the dead. That is why he can do such miracles." Others said, "He's the prophet Elijah." Still others said, "He's a prophet like the other great prophets of the past."

When Herod heard about Jesus, he said, "John, the man I beheaded, has come back from the dead."

For Herod had sent soldiers to arrest and imprison John as a favor to Herodias. She had been his brother Philip's wife, but Herod had married her. John had been telling Herod, "It is against God's law for you to marry your brother's wife." So Herodias bore a grudge against John and wanted to kill him. But without Herod's approval she was powerless, for Herod respected John; and knowing that he was a good and holy man, he protected him. Herod was greatly disturbed whenever he talked with John, but even so, he liked to listen to him.

Herodias's chance finally came on Herod's birthday. He gave a party for his high government officials, army officers, and the leading citizens of Galilee. Then his young step-daughter, also named Herodias, came in and performed a dance that greatly pleased Herod and his guests. "Ask me for anything you like," the king said to the girl, "and I will give it to you." He even vowed, "I will give you whatever you ask, up to half my kingdom!"

She went out and asked her mother, "What should I ask for?"

Her mother told her, "Ask for the head of John the Baptist!"

So the girl hurried back to the king and told him, "I want the head of John the Baptist, right now, on a tray!"

Then the king deeply regretted what he had said; but because of the vows he had made in front of his guests, he couldn't refuse her. So he immediately sent an executioner to the prison to cut off John's head and bring it to him. The soldier beheaded John in the prison, brought his head on a tray, and gave it to the girl, who took it to her mother. When John's disciples heard what had happened, they came to get his body and buried it in a tomb.

The Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated*

## **Spoken Reflection**

*WHAT AM I PROTECTING?*



**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....

After each petition: "Your mercy is great, O God." **Receive our prayer.  
Amen.**

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

Bebe McCoy, Robin Stokes, Bonnie Hegreness, Heidi Carman, Mary Kennedy,  
Kevin Bailey's sister Kleta Childs, 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, Maddie Sutphin, Skye Andree, Carolyn Moehring, Kris Kauffman,  
Kathy Richter, Ruth Murray's daughter Ellen Rose, Kathie Ehrich, Elaine Warren,  
Nate Bird's father-in-law Wendell Jordan, Becky Trover's niece Olivia Theissen and son-  
in-law Brandon James, Kandice Hoddinott-Ward, Brittany Amon, John Huber,  
Mary Watts, Barbara and David Hairston, Dottie and Larry Bird, Paul Johnson,  
Carol Heacock, Ranel Hoddinott, Ashley Bird  
For the people of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Columbus  
For Redeemer community member Lynn Belhorn

## Time with the Young People

### Sharing the peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*Members are encouraged to move around the sanctuary to greet each with a hearty handshake or a hug. For those who have special concerns or who do not wish close contact, please offer a sign of blessing to let others know you are more comfortable greeting them from a distance.*

*We will continue to take a moment to greet those who are worshiping via livestream before greeting those in the sanctuary.*

### **WE SHARE HOLY COMMUNION**

*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

## You Are Holy

1\*



You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more  
than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.  
Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here  
to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.

2

You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,  
you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!  
Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!  
Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

\* *May be sung in canon.*

Text: Per Harling, b. 1945

Music: DU ÅR HELIG, Per Harling

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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.**

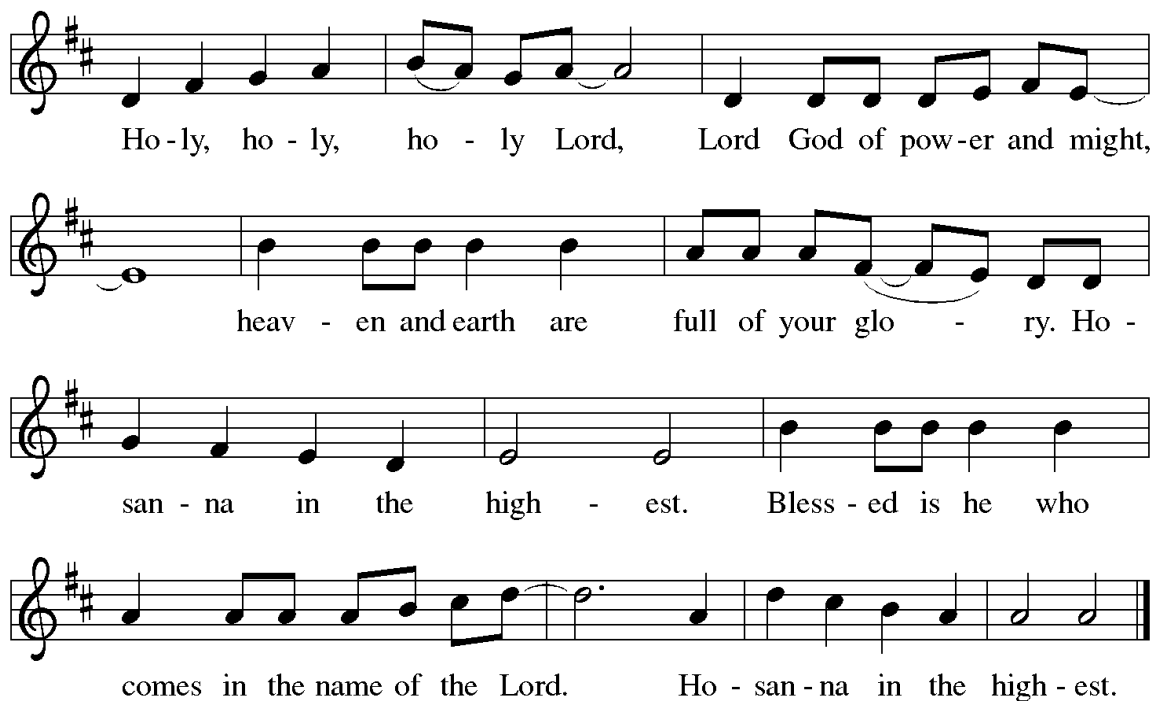
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

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:



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.

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

*Please be seated*

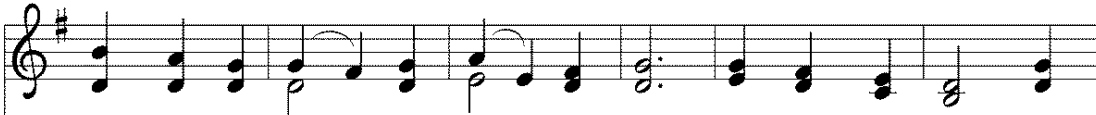
The gifts of God, for the people of God. Jesus welcomed all to this meal.  
So do we.

*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

## Faith of Our Fathers



1 Faith of our fa - thers, liv - ing still in spite of dun - geon,  
 2 Faith of our moth - ers, dar - ing faith, your work for Christ is  
 3 Faith of our sis - ters, broth - ers too, who still must bear op -  
 4 Faith born of God, oh, call us yet, bind us with all who



fire, and sword. Oh, how our hearts beat high with joy  
 love re - vealed, spread - ing God's word from pole to pole,  
 pres - sion's might, rais - ing on high, in pris - ons dark,  
 fol - low you, shar - ing the strug - gle of your cross

*Refrain*



when-e'er we hear that glo - rious word. Faith of our fa - thers,  
 mak - ing love known and free - dom real. Faith of our moth - ers,  
 the cross of Christ still burn - ing bright. Faith for to - day, O  
 un - til the world is made a - new. Faith born of God, O



ho - ly faith, we will be true to you till death.  
 ho - ly faith, we will be true to you till death.  
 liv - ing faith, we will be true to you till death.  
 liv - ing faith, we will be true to you till death.

Text: Frederick W. Faber, 1814-1863, st. 1, alt; Joseph R. Alfred, b. 1947, sts. 2-4  
 Music: ST. CATHERINE, Henri F. Hemy, 1818-1888; James G. Walton, 1821-1905, refrain  
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## Hymn

## Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am

The musical score is written for a hymn in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The lyrics are: 'Take, oh, take me as I am; sum-mon out what I shall be; set your seal up - on my heart and live in me.' The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a final cadence at the end of the second system.

Text: John L. Bell, b. 1949

Music: TAKE ME AS I AM, John L. Bell

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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.**

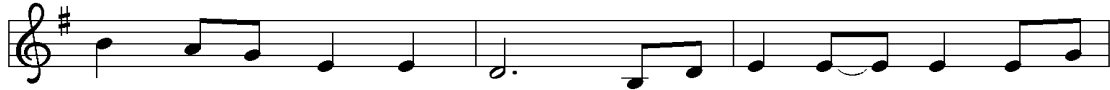
# WE ARE SENT

## Hymn

## Canticle of the Turning



1 My soul cries out with a joy - ful shout that the  
2 Though I am small, my . . . God, my all, you . . .  
3 From the halls of pow'r to the for - tress tow'r, not a  
4 Though the na - tions rage from . . age to age, we re -



God of my heart is great, and my spir - it sings of the  
work great . . things in me, and your mer - cy will last from the  
stone will be left on stone. Let the king be - ware for your  
mem - ber who holds us fast: God's mer - cy must de -



won - drous things that you bring to the ones who wait.  
depths of the past to the end of the age to be.  
jus - tice tears ev - 'ry ty - rant . . from his throne.  
liv - er us from the con - quer - or's crush - ing grasp.



You fixed your sight on your ser - vant's plight, and my  
Your ver - y name puts the proud to shame, and to  
The hun - gry poor shall . . weep no more, for the  
This sav - ing word that our fore - bears heard is the



weak - ness you did not spurn, so from east to west shall my  
those who would for you yearn, you will show your might, put the  
food they can nev - er earn; there are ta - bles spread, ev - 'ry  
prom - ise which holds us bound, till the spear and rod can be



name be blest. Could the world be a - bout to turn?  
strong to flight, for the world is a - bout to turn.  
mouth be fed, for the world is a - bout to turn.  
crushed by God, who is turn - ing the world a - round.



*Refrain*  
My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your jus - tice burn.



Wipe a - way all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is a - bout to turn.

Text: Rory Cooney, b. 1952, based on the Magnificat  
Music: STAR OF COUNTY DOWN, Irish traditional  
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**Blessing**

**Amen.**

## **Announcements**

### **Postlude**

### **Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee**

arr. John Carter

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Pastor Dave will be in New Orleans with Wendy Stoica, Sachio and Toshi Phillips, and Izzy, Sophie, and Andrew Skoog from Monday, July 15-Sunday, July 21. Keep us all in your prayers!!

If you have an emergency pastoral care need during this time, please contact Pastor Julianne Smeck at 734-972-6126. Preaching and presiding on July 21 will be the Rev. Mary Ann Siefke, Director of Congregational Engagement & Advancement for Trinity Lutheran Seminary & Capital University.



*Coffee and Conversation*

**Wednesday, July 17**

**10:00 AM-11:30 AM – Narthex**

**Honest exploration of questions about faith and life**



**LSS/MidOhio Food Collective  
Food Giveaway**

**Thursday July 18**

*Extras this month: Basic School Supplies  
(pencils, crayons, paper, etc., boxes of tissues)*

*Volunteers always welcome!  
Please advise either the Church Office or Sue Watson  
([sue.watson@columbus.rr.com](mailto:sue.watson@columbus.rr.com) or 614-560-4261).  
We need an accurate count and appreciate your support!*



**RLC Garden Giveaway**

Produce from our own garden  
and donations from friends and neighbors

**Saturday mornings  
10 am until gone**



**Packing Lunches for  
First English Lutheran Church**

Saturday, July 20  
Gather to pack lunches at 9:00 am  
Serve breakfast and distribute lunches  
Sunday, July 21, 7:30-9:30 am



**Sister Act**

**UNDERSTANDING JUSTICE**

**Lessons in Chemistry**

by Bonnie Garmus  
**Book discussion**

**Wednesday August 21 – 6:30pm**

*For more information see **Reflections** or  
contact Michele Disbro or  
Julianne Johnson.*

*Please join us for fellowship and service*

## OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

<b>Presiding Minister</b>	David Shull, Pastor
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Joss Dana
<b>Cantor</b>	Al Rider
<b>ASL Interpreter</b>	Bryan Neal
<b>Organist &amp; Senior Choir Director</b>	Kathy Rapp
<b>Pianist &amp; Chime Choir Director</b>	Karen Kent
<b>Usher</b>	Helen Brunston
<b>Verger</b>	Michelle Clemence / Wendy Stoica
<b>Communion Prep</b>	Kay Ernsthausen, Michele Disbro
<b>Producers</b>	Tom Mimlitch, Scott Steiner
<b>Hospitality</b>	Sister Act

*Noisy Offering will go to Bishop Griffin Community Garden*

## THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER JULY 14 – 21

<b>Today</b>	10:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion
<b>Monday</b>	8:00 am	Youth Gathering Departure
	6:30-8:00 pm	Basketball Camp
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:30-8:00 pm	Basketball Camp
<b>Wednesday</b>	10:00 am	Coffee and Conversation
	6:30-8:00 pm	Basketball Camp
<b>Thursday</b>	1:00 pm	Food Giveaway Setup
	3-6 pm	LSS / MidOhio Food Giveaway
	6:30-8:00 pm	Basketball Camp Banquet
<b>Saturday</b>	9:00 am	Prepare First English lunches
	10:00 am	Garden Giveaway
<b>Next Sunday</b>	10:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion
	11:00 pm	Youth Gathering Return



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