



## The 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

6 June, 2021      Worship at 9:30 a.m.

### Gathering

*Welcome to worship and these early Sundays in Ordinary Time. Now, ordinary time in the church year simply means 'counted' from the Latin 'ordinal'. We mark the time by counting up in this time after Pentecost. Yet, we can rejoice in the ordinary, even when it is a new ordinary, a new normal. The liturgical color is green for growth, and we move through readings that encourage faith to deepen and mature, and teach us how God guided the earliest followers through the new and challenging early days of our faith.*

*Saddened and challenged by false accusations that he's possessed, Jesus observes: 'A house divided against itself cannot stand.' The rumors are so prevalent Jesus' family comes to take him home, restore him to responsibility and respectability. Swayed by the rumors, they are blind to the truth that His power comes from God, and His purpose is shalom. God's purpose is a new way of being family, built on love and peace, restoration and healing. We who have received the Holy Spirit through baptism have been joined to Christ's death and resurrection and knit together in the body of Christ. Those with whom we sing and pray this day are Jesus' family. Together we go forth in peace to do the will of God.*

*Changes and additions to the prayer list are published every Sunday in the announcements. Please share your prayer concern with Pastor, or Cindy Carper, if you would like it included on the prayer list.*

***Please take this weekly resource home with you!***

#### **WELCOME AND WORSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**THE PRELUDE:** time for prayer and preparation.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, †  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God,  
**Blessed be God forever, Amen.**

Called by the Holy Spirit and seeking God's abundant grace,  
let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**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.**

The joy of the Lord is your strength, and the gifts of the Holy Spirit are yours forever.  
 Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake,  
 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 + Son and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

**GATHERING HYMN #504, ELW “A Mighty Fortress”**



1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -  
 2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -  
 3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat - 'ning to de -  
 4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who



to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and  
 ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom  
 your us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they  
 fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with



wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe  
 God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?  
 can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;  
 weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,



has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might  
 The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,  
 in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;  
 goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,



he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.  
 God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.  
 God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.  
 they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

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## 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.**

## THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray *Silence*. Holy and Living One, God and creator of all:  
Your blessed Son prayed for his followers to be one. Unite us in love and obedience to You,  
that by loving service and faithful witness, the world may believe in him whom you have sent,  
your Son Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## Word

**THE FIRST LESSON** is from Genesis, the 3<sup>rd</sup> chapter. (*Genesis 3:8-15*)

<sup>8</sup>[Adam and Eve] heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. <sup>9</sup>But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" <sup>10</sup>He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." <sup>11</sup>He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" <sup>12</sup>The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." <sup>13</sup>Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate." <sup>14</sup>The LORD God said to the serpent,

"Because you have done this,  
cursed are you among all animals  
and among all wild creatures;  
upon your belly you shall go,  
and dust you shall eat  
all the days of your life.

<sup>15</sup>I will put enmity between you and the woman,  
and between your offspring and hers;  
he will strike your head,  
and you will strike his heel."

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

+ *Silence* +

**Psalm 130** is read responsively.

<sup>1</sup>Out of the depths  
I cry to you, O LORD;

<sup>2</sup>**O LORD, hear my voice!**

**Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.**

<sup>3</sup>If you were to keep watch over sins,  
O LORD, who could stand?

<sup>4</sup>**Yet with you is forgiveness,  
in order that you may be feared.**

<sup>5</sup>I wait for you, O LORD; my soul waits;  
in your word is my hope.

<sup>6</sup>**My soul waits for the Lord more than those who keep watch for the morning,  
more than those who keep watch for the morning.**

<sup>7</sup>O Israel, wait for the LORD, for with the LORD there is steadfast love;  
with the LORD there is plenteous redemption.

<sup>8</sup>**For the LORD shall redeem Israel  
from all their sins. Amen.**

**THE SECOND READING** is from 2 Corinthians the 4<sup>th</sup> chapter.

(2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1)

<sup>13</sup>Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture - "I believed, and so I spoke" - we also believe, and so we speak, <sup>14</sup>because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. <sup>15</sup>Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

<sup>16</sup>So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. <sup>17</sup>For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, <sup>18</sup>because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

<sup>5:1</sup>For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

+ *Silence* +

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Alleluia.* Wait for the LORD, for with the LORD there is steadfast love;  
**with the LORD there is mercy and grace outpoured. Alleluia.**

**The Holy Gospel** according to Mark, the 3<sup>rd</sup> chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord!** (*Mark 3:20-35*)

<sup>21</sup>When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." <sup>22</sup>And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." <sup>23</sup>And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? <sup>24</sup>If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. <sup>25</sup>And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. <sup>26</sup>And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. <sup>27</sup>But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

<sup>28</sup>"Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; <sup>29</sup>but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"—  
<sup>30</sup>for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

<sup>31</sup>Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. <sup>32</sup>A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." <sup>33</sup>And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" <sup>34</sup>And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! <sup>35</sup>Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

The Gospel of our Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ!**

#### **TEACHING THE WORD / SERMON**

**HYMN OF THE DAY** #659 ELW "Will You Let Me Be Your Servant"



1 Will you let me be your ser - vant, let me be as  
 2 We are pil - grims on a jour - ney, we are trav - 'lers  
 3 I will hold the Christ - light for you in the night - time  
 4 I will weep when you are weep - ing; when you laugh I'll  
 5 Will you let me be your ser - vant, let me be as



Christ to you? Pray that I may have the grace to  
 on the road; we are here to help each oth - er  
 of your fear; I will hold my hand out to you,  
 laugh with you. I will share your joy and sor - row  
 Christ to you? Pray that I may have the grace to



let you be my ser - vant, too.  
 walk the mile and bear the load.  
 speak the peace you long to hear.  
 till we've seen this jour - ney through.  
 let you be my ser - vant, too.

Text: Richard Gillard, b. 1953  
 Music: THE SERVANT SONG, Richard Gillard

*Silence for Reflection...*

I ask you to confess your faith, in the words of the Apostles' Creed:

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
 creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord.  
 He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
 And 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,  
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
 And 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**

Let us come before the Triune God in prayer.

*A brief silence.*

God of abundance, we pray for one another and our sisters and brothers in faith. Where we are divided, draw us together. Give us heart to move past human sins that separate and divide, and hearts to love one another as you love us, and strength to resist those who would divide us. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Where the Church is oppressed or in any need, strengthen us. Encourage those who have begun to lose heart. Strengthen and renew us with your Spirit to speak up and out for all persecuted for their faith. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of all people, we pray for harmony among the nations. Cast out from us unclean spirits of greed and fear, that we may work in solidarity with one another for the common good. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Hear our prayers now for the people and situations that lay upon our hearts as we bring them before you in hope and trust. Hear us as we pray for... *Silence for our prayers follows each petition.*

-all who struggle with illness of body, mind or spirit, and those who work in the healing arts...

-all who struggle to care for the needs of home and family...

-those who grieve, whether for a loved one, or for our nation's losses to pandemic, violence or disaster...

-all whose hearts are hardened to the needs around them from fear, selfishness, apathy or any reason...

Heal us, bring us to wholeness and new life. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of the ages, in your goodness you have sent us faithful witnesses for every time and place. We give you thanks for those saints who now rest in your eternal mercy, and pray your comforting strength for those who grieve. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We lift our prayer to you, O God, trusting in your mercy and abiding grace: **Amen!**

## Meal

### THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

### OFFERTORY, AS WE GATHER OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS / ANTHEM

*We offer our love, obedience and lives in thanksgiving as a response to God's gifts and mercies. In-House the offering plate is set by the baptismal font. If you are worshipping remotely, tithes and offerings may be gathered and given by mail, given online at [christpipersville.org](http://christpipersville.org) or using the QR code.*

*The Table is prepared*



### OFFERTORY

Create in me a clean heart, O God,

**and renew a right spirit within me**

Cast me not away from your presence,

**and take not your Holy Spirit from me**

Restore to me the joy of your salvation,

**and uphold me with your free Spirit. Amen.**

### OFFERTORY PRAYER

Father of Mercy, Christ, the Bread of life, Life-giving Spirit:

**you have set this table before us, and called us to the feast of plenty.**

**Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world  
signs of your gracious presence. Amen.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also 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 our thanks and praise.**

It is right and a joyful thing to give you thanks O God,  
holy, almighty and merciful,  
for your love is poured out in blessings without measure.

We give thanks for all your gifts and remember your love revealed  
in Jesus, your Son and our Savior  
who in the night in which He was betrayed,  
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.”

God of new life we remember and we pray:  
Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine.  
Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.  
strengthened to live out your mercy, justice and love.

With the whole people of God, we give thanks  
praying with trust and hope for the coming of the Kingdom  
in the words our Savior taught us:

**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**

## AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
**have mercy on us.**

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
**have mercy on us.**

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
**grant us peace. Amen!**

## INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

*We share in the Lord's Body and Blood. Pastor will say:  
This is the Body and Blood of Christ, given and shed for you!  
then consume the Sacrament as you desire.  
Silence for prayer and reflection as we commune. Then:*

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

## THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray a *brief silence*

**We give you thanks, almighty God that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Sending

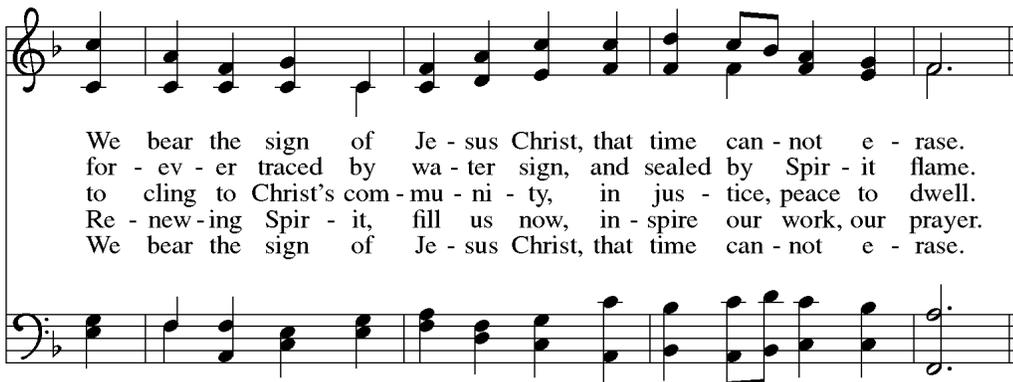
### THE BENEDICTION

Almighty God, Father, Son + and Holy Spirit bless you and keep you  
now and forever. **Amen**

### SENDING HYMN #454 ELW "Remember and Rejoice"



1 Re - mem - ber and re - joice, re - newed by floods of grace.  
2 In life, in death, we trust in God's most ho - ly name,  
3 We pledge our - selves a - new to flee the lures of hell,  
4 God, bless us by your grace; re - mind us of your care.  
5 Re - mem - ber and re - joice, re - newed by floods of grace.



We bear the sign of Je - sus Christ, that time can - not e - rase.  
for - ev - er traced by wa - ter sign, and sealed by Spir - it flame.  
to cling to Christ's com - mu - ni - ty, in jus - tice, peace to dwell.  
Re - new - ing Spir - it, fill us now, in - spire our work, our prayer.  
We bear the sign of Je - sus Christ, that time can - not e - rase.

### THE DISMISSAL

In the power of Trinity, go in peace, serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### THE POSTLUDE

## WORSHIP ACKNOWLEDGMENTS AND CREDITS:

The ordo is the traditional liturgy of Holy Communion.

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## CIRCLE OF PRAYER

*In June 2021, let us pray for...*

Adrian (H,R,St), Joseph Apgar (AF), Janet Banks (H,R,P,St), Pr. Caron & Family (Pr/C), Florence Cook (NH), Cory Cox (AF), Brandon Cree (AF), Bishop Patricia Davenport (Pr/C), Erin (P), Pr. Ginny Goodwin (Pr/C), Sonja Hadland (H,R,St), Ruth Hagmeier (H,R), Hanna (H,R) & parents (St), Cody Harmon (AF), Mary Hurley (Pr/C), Joy (H,St), Karen (H,St,P), Katherine (St,P), William Mackey (R,St), Tom Macri (AF), Jennifer Marko (H,R,St), Corrine Monesmith (HB), Anita Nathans (H,R,St), Barbara Polaneczky (St,P), Jay & Lisa Roberson Family (H,St), Christine Shiiba (H,St,P), Mike and Mary Trees (St,P), Rich Weidner (AF), and Zachary (St,Hope,Happiness).

*Thanksgiving for the Marriage of Thomas Shiiba and Stacey Hanisak.*

*Those who mourn:*

The family and friends of Ed Christian (esp. sister Peg Haskell & family), Donna Hull (esp. the Cook family & her children: Kim, Ed, Adam & Matthew), Franklin Kramer, Katherine Schmidt (esp. daughter Mary Hurley), Rev. William A. Vanderslice (esp. his family & congregation), Joe Bottrel (esp. wife Susan Sherrard-Bottrel), and Victor Price (esp. husband Pr. Bill Heisley).

<p><b>AF: Armed Forces, H: Healing, P: Peace/Patience, R: Recovery, St: Strength, M: Mourning, W: Wisdom T: Thanksgiving, NH: Nursing Home, HB: Home Bound, Pr/C: Pastors/Church Professionals</b></p>
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*Please consider visiting, writing or calling these people who need the support of this faith community. If you know of others for whom you would like the congregation to pray, please notify the church office, 215-766-8730. Let us pray also for anyone besides the ones listed above, who may have some special need or desire.*



## The Announcements

**LIVE-STREAMED WORSHIP** can be seen on Facebook Live and Zoom. Watch your email for links to the live-streamed service and the recorded service to be posted to our website ([www.christpipersville.org](http://www.christpipersville.org)).

**THE JUNE WEB SITE IS** presented to the Glory of God in Loving Memory of Jim and JoAnn Campbell, Bill and MaryBeth Davis, and Ken Hager given by The Campbells.

**TODAY'S LECTOR:** Jean Graham

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS** – The prayer list is printed in today's bulletin, the newsletter and is posted on the bulletin board. Please contact the church office, 215-766-8730 or e-mail, with any prayer needs. Names will remain on the prayer list for one month unless a new request is made.

**LAWN MOWING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** – There's a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board or you may call or e-mail the church office or use the link in your email to volunteer for a week. Equipment is provided (or bring your own) & training is available (see Paul Gruver).

**BLESSINGS BY THE BOX** - We will again be offering assistance to local Tincum families facing food insecurity this summer. However, due to COVID-19 restrictions we will be distributing Giant gift cards instead of actual food items. If you wish to make a monetary donation, please place your donation in an envelope marked "Blessings by the Box" and either mail it or drop it off at the church by *June 15th*. We will be distributing the gift cards in late June. Thank you!

**COLLEGE STUDENTS** – Applications for the Harold and Susie Myers Educational Fund scholarships are posted on the bulletin board or you may request one by email from the church office. Deadline for submitting your application is July 15<sup>th</sup>.

**BULLETIN/WEB SITE SPONSORS:** You may sponsor the Sunday bulletin or the church website in honor or memory of a loved one and we'll list your gift in the bulletin as well as social media and our website. The requested donation is \$20/week for the bulletin and \$25/month for the website. Please contact the church office to arrange your sponsorship.

**THE LORD'S PANTRY** has a continuing need for donations. During the month of June we will be collecting canned vegetables, but all types of canned/dry goods are welcome (tuna, peanut butter, cereal, soup, etc.). Donations may be placed in the pantry cabinet by the parking lot doors or contact the church office to make drop off arrangements. You may also purchase Giant gift cards to be provided to The Lord's Pantry.

**WHAT TO WATCH** - Looking for something new to watch or want to recommend something? Send your recommendation to [christpipersville@gmail.com](mailto:christpipersville@gmail.com). We'll post one family recommendation a week here in this spot. This week's recommendation is from the Carper's: Movie – Away and Back (Hallmark Drama).

### *Week of June 6<sup>th</sup> at a Glance*

- Sun. 06/06 The 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost: 9:30AM In-Person and Live-Streamed Worship  
Happy Birthday, Briana Howsare!
- Mon. 06/07 10:00AM Worship & Music Committee Meeting  
7:30PM Property Committee Meeting
- Tues. 06/08 7:00PM Council Meeting  
Happy Birthday, Connie Kallenbach!
- Thur. 06/10 8:30AM Morning Prayer; 9AM Bible Study  
Happy Birthday, Ralph Pownall!
- Fri. 06/11 Office Closed – Pastor's Day Off  
Happy Anniversary, Ted & Morgan Leister!
- Sat. 06/12 Happy Anniversary, Doug & Debra Moench!
- Sun. 06/13 The 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost: 9:30AM In-Person and Live-Streamed Worship