

August 8, 2021
Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

Bringing Forth the Light

Prelude Jen Moser, Organist

Welcome and Announcements Pastor John Finn

*Responsive Reading (Based on Psalm 130: 1-4)

One: I cry out to you from the depths, O Lord.

All: My Lord, listen to my voice!

One: Let your ears pay attention to my request for mercy!

All: For if you kept track of sins, who would stand a chance?

One: But forgiveness is with you, Lord.

All: That's why you are so honored.

*Hymn "For All the Saints" No. 711

*Prayer of Affirmation and Assurance

Almighty God, our fate is sealed — not to eternal damnation but instead to everlasting glory. Through the gift of your Son, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, the burden of sin has been lifted, the sentence of death overturned. As faithful believers, we have been liberated and our name has been etched in the Book of Life, so that on the final day of judgment, we will be called into your Glorious Kingdom. For this overwhelming gift of salvation, we give you thanks and praise! Amen!

*Unison Prayer

Lord Jesus, we know that salvation does not come by works, but rather through your death on the cross and resurrection from the tomb. May you have mercy on our souls so that despite our many imperfections, we will continue on the pathway of righteousness that leads directly to our final reward in Heaven. This we pray with joyful anticipation. Amen!

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Lord Jesus, your abundant grace and mercy flows freely up on those who acknowledge their transgressions and seek forgiveness. May you once again have mercy on our soul as we, in good faith, attempt to avoid temptation and reject evil. Strengthen our spirit so that we can overcome the weakness of the flesh. This we pray with great reverence and resolve. Amen!

Prayer of Illumination

First Scripture Reading: Daniel 12:1-4 CEB

Second Scripture Reading: Ephesians 4:29-32 CEB

Response One: Let us Rejoice in God's Holy Word!

All: For His Word brings us Light, Hope, and Joy.

*Gloria Patri No. 70

*Hymn "Take My Life, and Let It Be" No. 399

Message "Signed, Sealed, Delivered" Pastor John

Our Morning Prayer

As we gather today as a fellowship of believers, let us lift up our prayers and petitions at this time.

Pastoral Prayer
Lord's Prayer No. 895

Presentation to God of Our Gifts

*Doxology No. 95

*Hymn "Rescue the Perishing" No. 591

*Benediction and Postlude

*= please stand in body or spirit

Lincoln Highway Buy Way Sale

The Buy Way Sale is August 12-14. Do you have items you could donate for the yard sale? You may begin bringing items to Fellowship Hall. **Please price them.** Do you have a cooler or two we could borrow? We will set up on Wednesday, August 11 at 6:00 pm. Do you want to rent a table or two, to have your own sale? We also need help in the kitchen, as we will serve yummy food to fuel the shopping that will occur on these days. If you can help in any way, please mark the sign-up sheet in the Narthex. We need YOU!

Just Pray!

God wants a living relationship with us and that can be achieved through regular prayer. Yet there are times when no matter how much we try to pray the words just aren't there. Do not be discouraged but take encouragement from this story shared by Amy-Jill Levine in her book Sermon on the Mount

"...a little boy comes to the synagogue and recites over and over, the first three letters of the Hebrew alphabet. Smiling, the rabbi asks the child, "What are you doing?" the little boy responds, "I don't know the prayers and I can't read, but if I just say the letters, God puts the prayer together for me." We don't need perfect words, when we struggle God can put our prayers together for just. Just pray!





Our Prayer List

Our neighbors and our community
Those serving in the armed forces
Our country, its leaders

Our church family

Jennifer Adair	Ann Kahrig
Betsy Bower	Wayne Kahrig
Sheila Burckhart	Sandy Treece
Esther Franks	Elsie Mykrantz
Ewing Giffin	Christy Rickard
Elaine Sprinkle	Connie Reed

Our Friends, Family and Neighbors

Jim Corbett—father of Cindy Mykrantz
Chase Brian - grandson of Carol Gasser
Linda and Jim Silver
Evelyn Silver’s brother-in-law Dick
Mary Ann
The Kiser Family
The family of Bill Stewart
Dick Gasser

Today’s Concerns

Names will be removed from this list after three weeks unless otherwise requested.

Opportunities for Ministry This Week

Sunday 8/8	Worship	10:30 am
Monday 8/9	Bible Study	9:30 am
	Finance	6:00 pm
	Ad Council	7:00 pm
Tuesday 8/10	Blood Drive	2:30-7:00 pm
	(St. Peter Lutheran)	
Wednesday 8/11	Sale Set-Up	6:00 pm
Thursday– Saturday	Buy-Way Sale	
Saturday 8/14	Men’s Breakfast	7:30 am

Looking Ahead

Sunday 8/15	Acorn Deadline	
	Worship	10:30 am
Monday 8/16	Bible Study	9:30 am
	Trustees	6:30 pm
Tuesday 8/17	Days for Girls	1:00 pm

Choices for Worship on Sundays

- ◇ Come inside with social distancing.
- ◇ Listen in the parking lot without leaving your car or on the lawn by tuning in to 97.9 FM on your radio.
- ◇ Live stream on YouTube.com at 10:30 am.
- ◇ Links to Pastor John’s sermon are posted on our website to view on YouTube or to listen as a podcast. <https://oakchapelumc.com/worship/sermons/>

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through Love, Compassion,
Fellowship and Caring*