

Muddy Creek Lutheran Church

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The 9:00 a.m. service will be livestreamed and posted today on our YouTube channel and our website.

2nd Sunday After Pentecost June 2, 2024, 9:00 a.m. - Online Edition

* = Please stand as you are able All congregational responses are in **bold**

(Young Families: There are two “activity boxes” for children located under the ushers’ bench at the rear of the sanctuary.)

Welcome to Muddy Creek!
Announcements, Good Morning/Waving Hello
Prelude: *You Satisfy the Hungry Heart*.....C. Callahan

*Confession and Forgivenesspages 94 – 96

L: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. C: **Amen.**
L: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
C: **Amen.**

L: Most merciful God, C: **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.**

L: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. C: **Amen.**

*Gathering Hymn: “All People That on Earth Do Dwell”#883

- 1. All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice; him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell; come ye before him and rejoice.
- 2. Know that the Lord is God indeed; without our aid he did us make. We are his folk, he doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.
- 3. Oh, enter then his gates with praise; approach with joy his courts unto; praise, laud, and bless his name always, for it is seemly so to do.
- 4. For why? The Lord our God is good: his mercy is forever sure; his truth at all times firmly stood, and shall from age to age endure.
- 5. To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, the God whom heav’n and earth adore, from us and from the angel host be praise and glory evermore.

*Greeting L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. C: **And also with you**page 138

*Kyrie.....page 138

L: In peace, let us pray to the Lord. C: **Lord, have mercy.**

L: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. C: **Lord, have mercy.**

L: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. C: **Lord, have mercy.**

L: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. C: **Lord, have mercy.**

L: Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord. C: **Amen.**

*Hymn of Praise (“This is the feast...”).....page 140

Refrain: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

1. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

(Refrain)

2. Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing and glory are his. (Refrain)

3. Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. (Refrain)

4. For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. (Refrain)

*Prayer of the Day C: **Amen**

First Reading: Deuteronomy 5:12-15

¹²Observe the sabbath day and keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. ¹³Six days you shall labor and do all your work. ¹⁴But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. ¹⁵Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day.

L: The word of the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 81:1-10 (Congregational responses in bold)

¹Sing with joy to | God our strength
and raise a loud shout to the | God of Jacob.

²**Raise a song and | sound the timbrel,
the merry harp, | and the lyre.**

³Blow the ram’s horn at | the new moon,
and at the full moon, the day | of our feast;

⁴**for this is a stat- | ute for Israel,
a law of the | God of Jacob.**

⁵God laid it as a solemn charge upon Joseph, going out over the | land of Egypt,
where I heard a voice I | did not know:

⁶**“I eased your shoulder | from the burden;
your hands were set free from the grave- | digger’s basket.**

⁷You called on me in trouble, and I de- | livered you;

I answered you from the secret place of thunder and tested you at the wa- | ters of Meribah.

⁸**Hear, O my people, and I will ad- | monish you:**

O Israel, if you would but lis-^l ten to me!

⁹There shall be no strange^l god among you;
you shall not worship a^l foreign god.

**¹⁰I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the^l land of Egypt.
Open your mouth wide, and^l I will fill it.**

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:5-12

⁵We do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. ⁶For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

⁷But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. ⁸We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; ⁹persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; ¹⁰always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. ¹¹For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. ¹²So death is at work in us, but life in you. L: The word of the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God**

*Gospel Acclamation:page 142
(Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia)

*Gospel: Mark 2:23-3:6 C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

²³One sabbath Jesus was going through the grainfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. ²⁴The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?" ²⁵And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food? ²⁶He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions." ²⁷Then he said to them, "The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; ²⁸so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath."

^{3:1}Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. ²They watched him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. ³And he said to the man who had the withered hand, "Come forward." ⁴Then he said to them, "Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent. ⁵He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. ⁶The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

L: The gospel of the Lord. C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Children's Message
Sermon

*Hymn of the Day: "Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling".....#582

1. Holy Spirit, ever dwelling in the holiest realms of light;
Holy Spirit, every brooding o'er a world of gloom and night;
Holy Spirit, every raising those of earth to thrones on high;
living, life-imparting Spirit, you we praise and magnify.
2. Holy Spirit, every living as the church's very life;

Holy Spirit, every striving through us in a ceaseless strife;
 Holy Spirit, every forming in the church the mind of Christ:
 you we praise with endless worship for your gifts and fruits unpriced.
 3. Holy Spirit, ever working through the church's ministry;
 quick'ning, strength'ning and absolving, setting captive sinners free;
 Holy Spirit, every binding age to age and soul to soul
 in communion never ending, you we worship and extol.

*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, 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.

*Thanksgiving for Offering C: **We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be;**

All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

(Offering may be placed anytime in the wooden boxes on the entry tables. Or, you may scan the QR code below with the camera on your cell phone to donate to Muddy Creek.)



*Hymn #752 ("Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
 Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.")

*Prayers of the Church

P: Lord, in your mercy C: **Hear our prayer**

Holy Communion

Great Thanksgiving.....page 144

L: The Lord be with you. C: **And also with you.**

L: Lift up your hearts. C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Proper Preface

Holy, Holy, Holy.....page 144

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer.....page 145

Our Father, who are 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.

Distribution of Communion/ Participating from home
(Note for online followers – Prefilled grape juice and wafer kits are available from Pastor Peter at any time for use at home as you follow along with Communion from home. Just email, call, or talk to Pastor Peter to get some. Or, if you wish, you may use wine/grape juice and bread from your home).

*Post Communion Blessing

*Communion Sending Prayer

*Blessing C: **Amen** (sung response)

*Sending Song: “O Holy Spirit, Root of Life”.....#399

1. O Holy Spirit, root of life, creator, cleanser of all things;
anoint our wounds, awaken us with the lustrous movement of your wings.
2. Eternal vigort, Saving One, your free us by your living Word,
becoming flesh to wear our pain, and all creation is restored.
3. O Holy Wisdom, soaring pow’r, encompass us with wings unfurled,
and carry us, encircling all above, below and through the world.

*Dismissal P: Go in Peace. Serve the Risen Lord. C: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude: *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven*.....J. Goss
Immediately following the 9:00 a.m. service, you are invited to stay in the sanctuary for a time of fellowship and refreshments, courtesy today of Brenda Berger, Nedra Bearinger, Marie Buohl and Pat Buohl. Thanks!!

Announcements

Welcome to everyone, especially all visitors and guests! If you are visiting today, it would be really appreciated if you would fill out the yellow card in your pew and put it in the offering plate or give it to the pastor. Welcome!

Notes for Online Participants:

If you would like to pick up prefilled home communion kits of wafers and grape juice in order to participate online along with Holy Communion on the first Sunday of each month, please contact Pastor Peter or pick them up from the box on the table under the church mailboxes. Or, if you wish, you may use bread and grape juice/wine from your own home.

Offering to Muddy Creek or Disaster Relief may be contributed online through the church website, mclchurch.org, “Give Online” button on the home page.

All are Invited to our Community Yard Sale in our Grove this Saturday, June 8, 7:00 a.m. to noon. Besides many vendors from our church and the community, this event also features a food truck and baked goods and cookbooks being sold by our choir. Sponsored by the Evangelism Committee. A monetary donation from all the \$5 spot reservations will be given to Peter’s Porch Food Bank.

Can You Help With Striping the Grove for the Yard Sale? If so, please meet in the Grove this Friday, June 7th at 6:00 p.m. Thank you! Your help is really appreciated.

Baked Goods Donations for Yard Sale: If you can help make individually-wrapped baked goods (such as cakes, cookies, cupcakes, etc) to donate for the Yard Sale, please call Gail Bare at 717-672-6282. Donated baked goods can be dropped off at the church on Friday evening, June 7th, 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. or on Saturday morning on the day of the sale. They may also be dropped off at Gail's house, 935 Lincoln Heights Ave in Ephrata prior to the sale. Please let Gail know if you are interested in helping on Friday evening or Saturday morning with organizing and selling the baked goods.

Today (The First Sunday of the Month), We Are Collecting Food for our local food pantry, Peter's Porch. Food items may be placed in the marked bins located at the entrances. (Peter's Porch distributes the food on the first Saturday of every month from 8-10 a.m. at Faith United Lutheran Church in Denver. Contact Pastor Peter if you are interested in volunteering with the monthly distribution.)

The Prayer Shawl Knitting Group meets at Yvonne Weaver's house, on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Contact: Yvonne Weaver at 717-371-6453. All are invited!

You are Invited every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month, from 9am - 1pm in our Fellowship Hall, to help cut out and sew cloth feminine pads for the UNTO organization to be sent to women in the developing world. It is fun, social, and a much-needed ministry! Contact: Pat Brendle, 717-799-2591.

The Altar Flowers Today are given in loving memory of Roma, Richard and Dean Oberholtzer by the family.

The Sign Up for Altar Flower Sponsorships is on the table outside Pastor Peter's office. If you wish, you may sponsor flowers in honor or in memory of someone. Cost is \$45.

In our Prayers: Linnny Ansel, Gloria Aseli, Dorothy Beam, Elaine Gehman, Elmer Gockley, Ken Frazer, Pat Kagarise, Pastor David Klepper, Betty Kramer, Jeanne Lorah, the Martin family, Helen Martin, Katie McCalicher, Charles Moyer, Jean Moyer, Paul Moyer, George Nagle, Audrey Noll, Tom and Audrey Riggle, Joanne Saylor, Jared Schutter, Mary Ann Seidel, Susan Siegel, the family of Lucy Snader whose funeral was this past week, Becky Thunberg, Sharon Weinhold

Attendance and Giving:

Attendance May 26: 8:00 a.m. - 23, 9:00 a.m. - 50, Online views (includes livestream) - 41	
Received through end of April: \$66,403.79	Expenses thru April: \$66,109.73
Received on May 26: \$1,688.33	Received May to date: \$12,313.63

Worship Helpers Next Sunday, June 2:

8 am Communion Assistant - Scott Strickland	
9 am Communion Assistant and Acolyte - Grace Youndt	
9 am Lay Reader – Joe Sanchez	9 am Cantor - Pastor Peter
9 am Money Counters - Linda and Tim Fritz	Bread Baker - Marliese Smith

9:00 am Worship Helpers Next Sunday, June 9:

Acolyte -	Lay Reader - Brad Rauch
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Cantor - David Sensenig

Money Counters - Gail and Ted Bare