# 2nd Sunday after Pentecost

June 22, 2025



## Dinkey Memorial Evangelical Lutheran Church

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God's work. Our hands.

To all who are lonely and need fellowship; to all who are discouraged and need good news; to all who mourn and need comfort; to all who are tempted and need help; to all who are sinners and need forgiveness; to all who are complacent and need disturbing; to all who thirst for the water of life; to all who love Christ and would follow Christ, Dinkey Memorial Evangelical Lutheran Church opens its arms and bids you welcome!

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **GATHERING**

#### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son,

and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,

you free us to love others,

but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.

You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace,

but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.

You surround us with patience, kindness,

and generosity,

but we grow weary in doing what is right.

In your mercy, forgive us.

Do not give up on us.

Heal us, break our bonds,

#### and show us the path of life.

#### Amen.

You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith.

In the cross of + Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven.

Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.

Amen.

#### **PEACE**

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ. The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

#### GATHERING SONG Will You Come and Follow Me: The Summons (ELW 798)

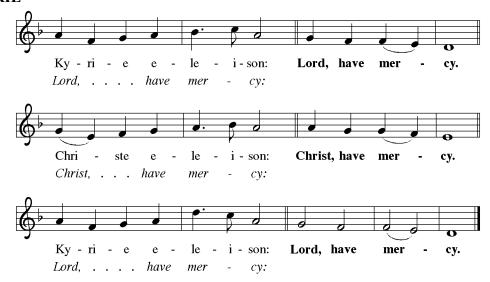
#### GREETING

During this time, the presiding minister and the assembly greet each other.

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.

#### **KYRIE**



#### **CANTICLE OF PRAISE**





#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

O Lord God, we bring before you the cries of a sorrowing world. In your mercy set us free from the chains that bind us, and defend us from everything that is evil, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

#### **HOLY BAPTISM (page 227)**

#### **WORD**

FIRST READING: Isaiah 65:1-9

The reading may be announced:

A reading from Isaiah.

The prophet announces God's impatience. The people's self-absorption is idolatry, and images of practices that displease God fill this reading. Like a vintner who crushes the grape to release the wine, God will use Israel's exile to establish a new community of the faithful.

<sup>1</sup> I was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask, to be found by those who did not seek me.

I said, "Here I am, here I am,"

to a nation that did not call on my name.

<sup>2</sup> I held out my hands all day long

to a rebellious people,

who walk in a way that is not good,

following their own devices;

<sup>3</sup> a people who provoke me

to my face continually,

sacrificing in gardens

and offering incense on bricks;

<sup>4</sup> who sit inside tombs,

and spend the night in secret places;

who eat swine's flesh,

with broth of abominable things in their vessels;

<sup>5</sup> who say, "Keep to yourself,

do not come near me, for I am too holy for you."

These are a smoke in my nostrils,

a fire that burns all day long.

<sup>6</sup> See, it is written before me:

I will not keep silent, but I will repay;

I will indeed repay into their laps

<sup>7</sup> their iniquities and their ancestors' iniquities together,

says the LORD;

because they offered incense on the mountains and reviled me on the hills.

I will measure into their laps full payment for their actions.

<sup>8</sup> Thus says the LORD:

As the wine is found in the cluster, and they say, "Do not destroy it, for there is a blessing in it,"

so I will do for my servants' sake, and not destroy them all.

<sup>9</sup> I will bring forth descendants from Jacob, and from Judah inheritors of my mountains; my chosen shall inherit it, and my servants shall settle there.

The reading may be concluded:

The word of the Lord.

The assembly responds:

Thanks be to God.

#### **PSALM: Psalm 22:19-28**

In the midst of the assembly I will praise you. (Ps. 22:22)

- <sup>19</sup> But you, O LORD, be not | far away; O my help, hasten | to my aid.
- Deliver me | from the sword, my life from the power | of the dog.
- <sup>21</sup> Save me from the | lion's mouth! From the horns of wild bulls you have | rescued me.
- <sup>22</sup> I will declare your name to my people; in the midst of the assembly I will praise you. R
- <sup>23</sup> You who fear the LORD, give praise! All you of Jacob's | line, give glory. Stand in awe of the LORD, all you off- | spring of Israel.
- <sup>24</sup> For the LORD does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither is the LORD's face hid-| den from them;

but when they cry out, the LORD hears them.

- <sup>25</sup> From you comes my praise in the | great assembly; I will perform my vows in the sight of those who | fear the LORD.
- <sup>26</sup> The poor shall eat | and be satisfied,

Let those who seek the LORD give praise! May your hearts | live forever! R

<sup>27</sup> All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD; all the families of nations shall bow before God.

<sup>28</sup> For dominion belongs to the LORD, who rules o-ver the nations. R

#### SECOND READING: Galatians 3:23-29

The reading may be announced:

A reading from Galatians.

For Paul, baptism is a powerful bond that unites people not only with God but with other believers. Those who call themselves children of God experience a transformation that removes prejudices of race, social class, or gender in favor of true unity in Christ.

<sup>23</sup> Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. <sup>24</sup> Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. <sup>25</sup> But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, <sup>26</sup> for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. <sup>27</sup> As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. <sup>28</sup> There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. <sup>29</sup> And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

The reading may be concluded:

The word of the Lord.

The assembly responds:

Thanks be to God.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



#### **GOSPEL: Luke 8:26-39**

The gospel is announced.

The holy gospel according to Luke.

#### Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus' mission includes foreigners and his authority extends to the casting out of demons. Some who witness Jesus' work are seized with confusion and fear, but the man who was healed is commissioned to give testimony to God's mercy and power.

<sup>26</sup> Then [Jesus and his disciples] arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. <sup>27</sup> As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. <sup>28</sup> When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me"—
<sup>29</sup> for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) <sup>30</sup> Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. <sup>31</sup> They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

<sup>32</sup> Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. <sup>33</sup> Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

<sup>34</sup> When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. <sup>35</sup> Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. <sup>36</sup> Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. <sup>37</sup> Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. <sup>38</sup> The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, <sup>39</sup> "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

The gospel concludes:

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

#### **SERMON**

HYMN OF THE DAY Word of God, Come Down on Earth (ELW 510)

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Drawn into the embrace of the holy Trinity, we lift our prayers for the wholeness of the church, the world, and all creation.

#### A brief silence.

We pray for the church. Clothe us in Christ, shower us in mercy, send us in love. Strengthen the faith and witness of Christians across the planet and Christians in our community. God of grace,

#### hear our prayer.

We pray for creation. Deliver the earth from disaster, bring forth life amid uncertainty, inspire wonder at all you have made. Sustain all people who delight in the well-being of your creation: farmers, agricultural workers, gardeners, birdwatchers, conservationists, scientists, advocates, and policy makers. God of grace,

#### hear our prayer.

We pray for the nations. Pave a way to justice, drown the forces of oppression, bring peace on earth. Give leaders the will to turn from war and violence. When people must flee their homes, guide them to safety. God of grace,

#### hear our prayer.

We pray for people in need. Satisfy all who are poor, soothe those in pain, accompany all who are sick (*especially*). Give perseverance to each of us living with mental illness, and shield us from discrimination due to race, class, gender, or any other human distinction. God of grace,

#### hear our prayer.

We pray for this assembly. Listen to our cries, come to our aid, make us one. Weave among us the fabric of belonging so that we rejoice in each person gathered here, and enliven our proclamation of how much you have done for us. God of grace,

#### hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

We offer our thanksgiving for all people who have died in faith. Keep them in your peace, comfort us in sorrow, raise us to new life. As we remember their faith and witness, may we trust your promise that we are yours forever. God of grace,

#### hear our prayer.

Gather all our prayers in your mercy, O God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

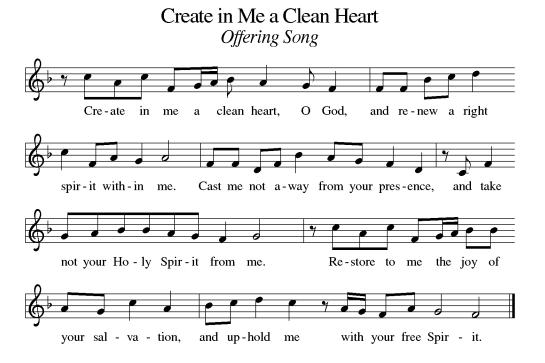
#### LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus 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.

#### **OFFERING**



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#### OFFERING PRAYER

Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful.

Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

#### **SENDING**

#### BLESSING

The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit

+ bless you and give you peace.

Amen.

SENDING SONG Be Thou My Vision (ELW 793)

#### DISMISSAL

The worship has ended. Let the service begin. Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

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### DINKEY MEMORIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS June 22, 2025

**The Altar Flowers** are sponsored today by Courtney Van Fossen to the Glory of God. **The Bulletins** are not sponsored today.

Flower and bulletin charts for **2025** are on the bulletin board above the stairs. You may either sign up on the charts or by calling the office at 610-377-4242. It is appreciated if you pay for your sponsorship by the end of the month that you have sponsored. All weeks are open for the Memorial Bowl. It is very important for flower sponsors to return the cans and plastic gold bowls that they take the flowers home in. Thank you very much for your cooperation.

#### Office Hours:

Monday, Thursday, 9:00AM to 2:00PM; Friday 8:00AM to 12:00PM (610)377-4242

#### The Week Ahead:

Today	9:00AM	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost Worship
Monday	6:00PM	VBS
Tuesday	6:00PM	VBS
	6:00PM	Ladies Aid
Wednesday	9:00AM	Morning Prayer
	6:00PM	VBS
Thursday	9:30AM	Bible Study
Sunday	9:00AM	Peter and Paul, Apostles Worship

Today we celebrate the baptism of Stormi Ruth Smith, daughter of Randy Smith and Caitlyn Ondusko. We pray for God's blessings on Stormi throughout her life in Christ.

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY! June 22 to June 28

06/23 Tanner May	06/27 Donna Miller
06/23 William McMichael	06/28 Jocelyn Plocinik
06/24 Charles Riley	06/28 James Scherer
06/24 Judy Sist	

<u>Giant Gift Cards</u>: If you would like to purchase any Giant Gift Cards please see Kathy Steigerwalt. We receive 5% from each gift card sold.

<u>Fundraising</u>: Dinkey is selling Streak free cloths; \$5 each. Please contact Jan in the office if interested.

#### Pierogi Fundraiser

Potato & Cheese \$9

Potato, Cheese & Bacon – Potato, Cheese & Sauerkraut – Jalapeno Cheddar – Dill Pickle – Broccoli Cheddar – Buffalo Chicken \$10

Cheese Steak \$15

Apple – Cherry – Blueberry \$10

Deadline to order is 7/13 (order form in back of church) or call Dinkey Memorial Office at 610-377-4242.

Pick up is 7/23 from 1-5 PM.

**Scholarships**: Scholarship applications for anyone attending college or trade school in Fall are needed by June 30, 2025. The scholarship recipients will be announced in mid-July and the award certificates will be presented on July 20, 2025. Scholarship applications are on the Dinkey website for anyone interested.

<u>Vacation Bible School</u>: Come join us June 23, 2025 to June 25, 2025 from 6:00-8:30PM for a SCUBA adventure. Ages 3 and up are welcome. Please register by calling the office (610)377-4242 by June 13, 2025 so supplies can be ordered.

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#### **HOMEBOUND MEMBERS**

Tess Hinger Gordon Scherer
Ruth Keck Alice Scitney
Debbie Meckel Debra Strohl

#### SICK/HOSPITALIZED/SPECIAL NEEDS MEMBERS AND FRIENDS

Alexis Ann German Joe Kluk
Faith Beck Dick German Deb Lilly
Arlene Bisbing Joseph Gorman Nicole Mazenko Rowles

Eli Bowland Sonny Hack Kenny Schleicher Sherri Bowman Stephen Hoffman Kathy Steigerwalt

Family of Willard Doll Doug Keller Patti Walck
Lauren Dugan Rick Keller Sandy Walter
Candy Everett Sandy Keller Betty Weber

We are in need of volunteers as greeters/ushers, lectors, communion assistants and altar guild. Please let the office know if you are willing to volunteer.

#### **WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS**

Ministers: The Congregation

<u>Pastor</u>: Reverend Anthony Pagotto

Music Director: Bridgette Gorman

**Greeters**: Everett

Acolytes: Maggie Bowman

Lector: Jim Koch

Worship Participants for June 29, 2025:

<u>Greeters</u>: Frey

Acolytes: Addisyn Kirkendall

Lector: Nora Oswald

#### Will You Come and Follow Me The Summons



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#### Word of God, Come Down on Earth



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#### Be Thou My Vision



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