

the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER RESPONSE

"Hear Our Prayer"

Hear our prayer, O Lord. hear our prayer, O Lord.

Hear our prayer, O Lord, and grant us thy peace.

SERMON

Rev. David A. Jones

OUR OFFERING AND OFFERTORY "This Is My Father's World"

Roger Summers

* THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND LORD'S PRAYER (using debts and debtors)

* BENEDICTION AND THREEFOLD AMEN

* HYMN #809 (Green Hymnal) "God of Our Fathers"

* SILENT MEDITATION

POSTLUDE "The Majesty and Glory of Your Name"

Tom Fettke

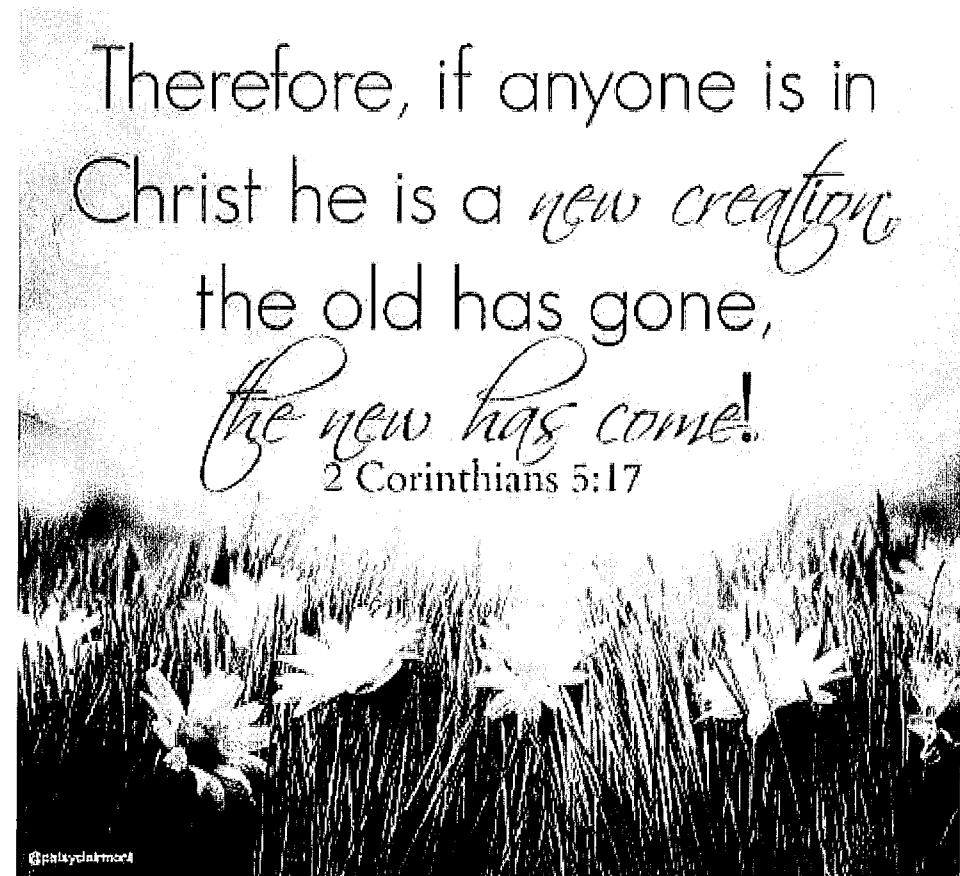
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June 16, 2024

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Reader: Marilyn Reppert

God is Still Speaking ...

"By the time a man realizes that maybe his father was right, he usually has a [child] who thinks he's wrong."
- Charles Wadsworth

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "Fellowship Medley" Lyndell Leatherman

* SOLEMN DECLARATION AND SUNG AMEN

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: It is good to give thanks to God! Come, let us make music to our Creator.

People: **God knows our troubles and remembers our need. Our petitions are answered and our heart's desires are fulfilled.**

Pastor: Declare God's steadfast love and faithfulness. Seek God's help in the sanctuary.

People: **We know that God will help the anointed ones. Our pride is in God alone.**

Pastor: Listen for the voice of God speaking to us again. How great is our God, our rock and our defender!

People: **God will respond when we call. We will bear fruit for God as long as life endures.**

* HYMN #143 (Green Hymnal) "This Is My Father's World"

* CALL TO CONFESSION

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of all truth, who can stand before you? We judge by outward appearances, but you examine our hearts. We see what is on the surface, but you discern beauty deep within. We measure importance by paychecks, but you find value among those we

deem lowly and insignificant. You offer us the deep and profound joy of living in your kingdom. We forget your promises and turn to pursuits that separate us from you and destroy community. Grant us your forgiveness, and show us a new direction for our lives...

Silent confession...

* KYRIE ELEISON

*Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.*

* WORDS OF GRACE AND MERCY

All of us must stand before the judgement seat of Christ. When we come with true penitence, we will claim victory over sin. Christ died for us, that we might no longer live only for ourselves. In Christ, we no longer regard others from a human point of view. We are a new creation. The old has passed away, and a new day has come. **Thanks be to God! Amen!**

SPECIAL MUSIC "Through It All" Trent Smith
Ken Shultz

CHILDREN'S SERMON

THE SCRIPTURES (insert)
New Testament 2 Corinthians 5: 6 - 17
*Gospel Mark 4: 26 - 34

* THE GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

* PROCLAIMING OUR FAITH – THE APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ his only begotten Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into Hades;

2 Corinthians 5: 6 – 17

So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord— for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them.

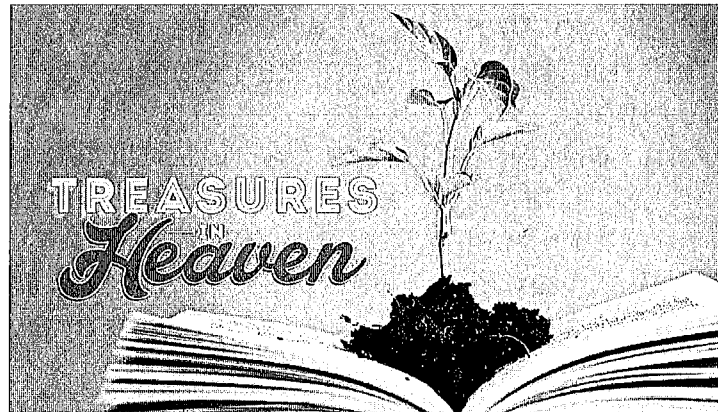
From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

Mark 4: 26 – 34

Jesus said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come."

He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

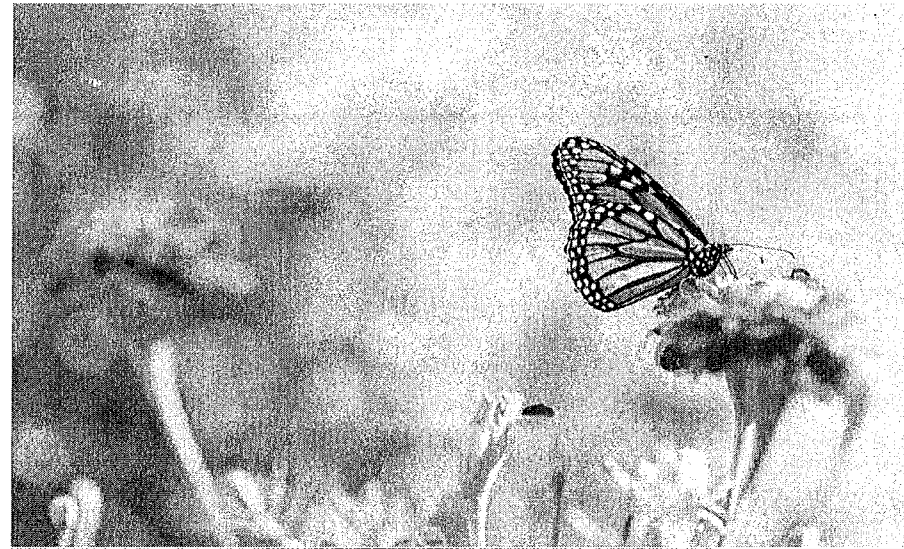


ST. MARK'S PRAYER LIST

Andy Shearer
Deb Weise
Ken and Charlotte Wengert
Lynn Balmer
David Ansalvish (Cindy Johnson's Brother)
Rod Nissley (Deb Ellis' son)
David Minnich (Friend of Deb Ellis)
Stephanie Wagner (Faye Fox's niece)
Jeffrey Clouser
Trudy Berkheimer
John Blanda (Lynn Balmer's brother-in-law)
Ed Olden
Marie DiFava
Trudy Carmany (Becky Colban's cousin)
Cindy Johnson
Eva Miller
Andrew Schöll (Becky Colban's nephew)
Regine Halsall (Friend of Deb Ellis)
Meg Nagel
Billy Knight (Holly Brandt's cousin)
Megan Tilley
Lisa Beard (Holly Brandt's co-worker)
Pam (Peg Clark's sister-in-law)
Dick Winters
Members from our church family who are shut-in or
home bound
The People of Ukraine
The Victims of War in Israel and Palestine

ST. MARK'S CALENDAR
For the Week of June 16, 2024

Sunday Koffee Klatsch – 9:30-10 AM and 11-11:15 AM
Worship Service – 10:00
Adult Sunday School – 11:15 AM
Wednesday Bible Study – 10 AM
Saturday Women's Painting Party and Breakfast –
9-11 AM – Fellowship Hall



ST. MARK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The flowers on the Communion Table are presented by Becky Colban in memory of her father, Russell Scholl, Sr.

The white carnation is in memory of Shirley Shaak, who passed away June 10, 2024.

The bulletins are presented to the Glory of God.

Flowers and Bulletins – Dates available for flowers are: July 7 and 28. Dates available for bulletins are: June 23 and 30, July 21 and 28. Please contact the office if interested in sponsoring any flowers or bulletins.

DiNunzio Sub Coupons – Fellowship and Hospitality Committee will be selling coupons starting June 2 and will continue to June 16. Today is the last day to buy your sub coupons. Cost will be \$12.00 per coupon and there is no expiration date.

Women's Painting Party – We will be painting a wine bottle and adding a string of lights on Saturday, June 22nd, 9 AM to 11 AM. Light breakfast will be served. Cost is \$10.00 per person. See sign-up sheet in narthex.

Pine Acres Service – June 23, 2024, our worship service will be held out at Pine Acres at 10 AM. The Evangelism and Mission Committee will be providing lunch after the service. Please sign sheet in narthex for donations of food and if you will be attending.

Kid's Kamp 2024 – July 15th – 18th, 9 AM -3:45 PM. Theme is SCUBA, diving into friendship with God. Kamp will be held Monday thru Thursday. Registration forms are in the narthex and need to be in by June 30th. Any questions, please contact Marilyn Reppert.

Save the Dates:

June 2 – 16 – Sale of DiNunzio Sub Coupons
June 22 Women's Painting Party – 9 AM – 11 AM
(Includes Breakfast)
June 23 Worship Service 10 AM @ Pine Acres
July 15-18 Kid's Kamp at Pine Acres
July 27 Community Picnic
August 18 Annual St. Mark's Picnic at Pine Acres – 10 AM –
Lunch provided

Conference Call information:
Dial (215) 383-1625 Enter conference code: 569284
Press* when asked for your attendee pin

**HAPPY
FATHER'S
DAY**

Wishing a Happy Father's Day to all the fathers and grandfathers.

Have an awesome day!!