



Jerusalem

evangelical lutheran church
July 5, 2026
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
10:30 AM Worship Service



Mission Statement

SOW. The Gospel of Jesus the Christ to all generations

GROW. His followers into spiritually mature disciples

GO. Back into the world to serve others in His name

WELCOME

We are so glad you have chosen to join with us today as we gather in worship to give thanks to our gracious and loving God. If you have particular needs and/or questions please speak with an usher. Again, thanks for spending a little time with us.

Nursery Care is available for younger children downstairs in the room across from the Coffee Corner.

THIS WEEK AT JERUSALEM

Sunday, July 5	10:30 AM	Worship Service with Communion and live stream
Monday, July 6	7:00 PM	JLNSDC Board Meeting (SH)
Tuesday, July 7	7:00 PM	Finance Meeting (OP)
Wednesday, July 8	7:00 PM	AA Meeting (YC)
Saturday, July 11	7:00 AM	AA Meeting (YC)
Sunday, July 12	10:30 AM	Worship Service with live stream

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UPCOMING EVENTS & NOTES



Jack Bowman has secured tickets for “Joshua” at the Sight and Sound Theater for **July 14th, 2026**. Price of tickets is \$99. Please contact Jack if you are interested. ***There is still one more ticket available for the “Joshua” show. If interested in purchasing a ticket please contact Jack Bowman.***



Memorial Service

We will be having a memorial service for John Markley, on **Saturday, July 18th** at Jerusalem Church. Time is TBD for the moment. All who would like to attend are welcomed.

Red Cross Blood Drive



Saturday, August 22nd from 9AM to 2PM in the Social Hall. Scan the QR code to register or visit: Redcrossblood.org/give. Enter zip code 19473 and enter date 8/22/26 in the search box or scroll down list for Jerusalem Church from list of donors.



Outdoor Worship Service and Picnic

Sunday, August 30th time TBD

Upper Salford Park in Schwenksville

Worship service will be followed by lunch and time of fellowship. Games and activities for kids will be available. Stay tuned for more information and sign-up links.



There will be no Monthly Luncheon in July.

Please stay tuned for luncheon selection in August. Location yet to be determined.



Sunday Nursery

We are in need of volunteers. Please look for sign-up schedule link shared via email. Please contact the church office for clearance link. We will need to have clearances on file.

PRELUDE “*America, the Beautiful*” Hayes

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***GATHERING SONGS** “*He Has Made Me Glad*”

1. I will enter His gates
with thanksgiving in my heart,
I will enter His courts with praise.
I will say this is the day
that the Lord has made;
I will rejoice for He has made me glad.
He has made me glad,
He has made me glad,
I will rejoice for He has made me glad.
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“Everlasting God”

VERSE:

Strength will rise as we
wait upon the Lord,
we will wait upon the Lord,
we will wait upon the Lord.
Strength will rise as we
wait upon the Lord,
we will wait upon the Lord,
we will wait upon the Lord.

Our God, You reign forever.
Our Hope, our strong Deliverer.

CHORUS:

You are the everlasting God,
the everlasting God
You do not faint,
You won't grow weary.
You're the defender of the weak,
You comfort those in need.
You lift us up
on wings like eagles.

VERSE.

Our God, You reign forever.
Our Hope, our strong Deliverer.

CHORUS.

(Instrumental interlude)

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*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, whose compassion endures forever. **Amen.**
Let us confess our sin to God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate God,
we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." In the name of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love. **Amen.**

*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.**

*KYRIE (SUNG)

CANTOR:

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

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.



Lord, have mer - cy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



A - men.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

You are great, O God, and greatly to be praised. You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Grant that we may believe in you, call upon you, know you, and serve you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING Romans 7:15-25a

¹⁵ I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶ Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. ¹⁷ But in fact it is no longer I who do it but sin that dwells within me. ¹⁸ For I know that the good does not dwell within me, that is, in my flesh. For the desire to do the good lies close at hand, but not the ability. ¹⁹ For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do.

²⁰ Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it but sin that dwells within me. ²¹ So I find it to be a law that, when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand.

²² For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, ²³ but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. ²⁴ Wretched person that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death?

^{25a} Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

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

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

CANTOR: Blessed are you, Lord of heav'n and earth;
you have revealed these things to infants.

ALL: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

***GOSPEL READING Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30**

The holy gospel according to Matthew, the eleventh chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus spoke to the crowd saying:] ¹⁶ "To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

¹⁷ 'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;
we wailed, and you did not mourn.'

¹⁸ "For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; ¹⁹ the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds."

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²⁵ At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; ²⁶ yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷ All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

²⁸ “Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

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

SERMON

Pastor Chris McKinstry

*HYMN OF THE DAY “I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say” (#611)

1. I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“Come unto Me and rest;
lay down, O weary one, lay down
your head upon My breast.”

I came to Jesus as I was,
so weary, worn, and sad;
I found in Him a resting-place,
and He had made me glad.

2. I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“Behold, I freely give
the living water, thirsty one;
stoop down and drink and live.”

I came to Jesus, and I drank
of that life-giving stream;
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
and now I live in Him.

3. I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“I am this dark world’s light;
look unto Me, your morn shall rise,
and all your day be bright.”

I looked to Jesus, and I found
in Him my Star, my Sun;
and in that Light of life I’ll walk
till trav’ling days are done.

*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.

*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Each portion of the prayer ends: A: Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

*SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you all! **And also with you.**

OFFERING MUSIC “People Need the Lord” Nelson & McHugh / arr. Wolaver

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***OFFERING PRAYER (UNISON)**

Loving God,

we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever. Amen.

***GREAT THANKSGIVING (SPOKEN)**

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.**

PREFACE**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

***EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

***LORD'S PRAYER**

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.

***INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Heaven has come near. Come, share in the feast!

DISTRIBUTION - AT THE RAIL

Please come forward down the center aisle, receive a cup from the usher, and fill the altar rail from the left (pulpit side) to the right (lectern side). Gluten-free wafers are available in the container on the small table. You may take the wafer for yourself. Grape juice is available from the ushers for those who do not take wine..

COMMUNION HYMNS #742, #608, #765

***COMMUNION BLESSING**

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

Lay Communion ministers come to the rail during Canticle

***POST COMMUNION CANTICLE**

O Lord, now let your servant depart in heav'nly peace,
for I have seen the glory of your redeeming grace:
a light to lead the nations unto your holy hill,
the glory of your people, your chosen Israel.

***BLESSING OF LAY COMMUNION MINISTERS**

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Compassionate God,
through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever. **Amen.**

***BENEDICTION**

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face to shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. **Amen**

***SENDING HYMN** “*My Country 'Tis of Thee*”

1. My country, 'tis of thee,
Sweet land of liberty, Of thee I sing;
Land where my fathers died,
Land of the pilgrims' pride,
From ev'ry mountainside Let freedom ring.

2. My native country, thee,
Land of the noble free, Thy name I love;
I love thy rocks and rills,
Thy woods and templed hills;
My heart with rapture thrills Like that above.

3. Let music swell the breeze,
And ring from all the trees Sweet freedom's song;
Let mortal tongues awake;
Let all that breathe partake;
Let rocks their silence break, The sound prolong.

4. Our fathers' God, to Thee,
Author of liberty, To Thee we sing:
Long may our land be bright
With freedom's holy light.
Protect us by Thy might, Great God, our King.

***DISMISSAL**

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE “*Fanfare and March*” Purcell / arr. Blake



WORSHIP ASSISTANTS SERVING TODAY

10:30 AM

Ushers: Paul Ensminger &
Joan Connolly

Acolyte: Emily Englehart

Cantor: Andy Englehart

Worship Assistant: Tim Arnold

Nursery Assistant: TBD

Counters: Linda Keys & Ardie Musselman
Altar Guild: Rose Koehler & Louise Hunsicker
Banners: Louise Hunsicker & John Souder



Our Christian sympathy is extended to family and
friends of *John Markley*,
who entered into Eternal Life on
June 29, 2026.



PRAYER CONCERNS....

PRAYERS FOR SPIRITUAL, PHYSICAL HEALING & RENEWAL

Tanner Anttilosky, Martin Conte, Debbie Feitchthaler, Anne Fisher, Amelia Hawks,
Jay Kapila, Greg Kealey, Leslie Leben, Bill Luyben, Gene & Pat Miesse, George Miller,
Bev O'Brien, Daniela Rivera, Don Peters, Joseph Schmitt, Savoey Touch,
Gail Wetzel, & Bobbie Willis.

ONGOING PRAYERS

Susie Barker, Jeanne Bullard, Audrey Englehart, Margaret Fisher,
Effa Hunt, Derek Kirby, Nellie Ann Kodoziejki,
Janet Neumann, Linda Petruccelli, Noel Pumphrey, Joseph Russella,
Robert Schirk, Mary Ann Schofield, Shawn Schlichter, Jennifer Sone, Carol Sprainer, &
Marie Wolfe.

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