

Jerusalem

evangelical lutheran church

August 2, 2026
Tenth 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, August 2	10:30 AM	Worship Service with communion and live stream
Monday, August 3	7:00 PM	JLNSDC Board Meeting (SH)
Tuesday, August 4	6:30 PM	Finance Meeting (SH)
	7:30 PM	Council Meeting (SH)
Wednesday, August 5	1:00 PM	Worship & Music Meeting (OP)
	7:00 PM	AA Meeting (YC)
Saturday, August 8	7:00 AM	AA Meeting (YC)
Sunday, August 9	10:30 AM	Worship Service with live stream

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**TEEN TIME AT
WALTZ GOLF
FARM
TUESDAY,
AUGUST 18TH
6:30 PM - 8:30 PM**

To sign-up please visit our website at jelc.org or
Sign-up link shared by email, or by contacting the
church office at 610-287-7104 or
texting Glenda Ortiz at 215-237-7707

**Come out and
enjoy an
evening of fun,
friends &
fellowship**

**Farm Mini Golf
Castle Mini Golf
Ice Cream
FREE!!!**

WALTZ GOLF FARM

303 West Ridge Pike
Limerick, PA 19468

610-489-7859

www.waltzgolffarm.com



UPCOMING EVENTS & NOTES



EARTHQUAKE RELIEF

The Church Council would like to financially assist Lutheran Disaster Relief in support of Venezuela amidst the destruction from recent earthquakes. We approved a donation of \$1000 + a matching of any donations made by the congregation during the month of August. Special envelopes are included in the August bulletins and Newsletter for all who would like to offer support by donating. Please use enclosed envelopes for your donations towards this relief project. Envelopes can be mailed to the church office or placed in the offering plate during worship services.



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.



Monthly Luncheon ~ Last Thursday of the Month ~
August 27th at 12:30 PM

Sumneytown Hotel
Main Street, Sumneytown, PA

Please contact Dan Slemmer **BEFORE** August 20th to reserve your place and request carpooling if needed.



Outdoor Worship Service and Picnic

Sunday, August 30th at 11:00 AM

Upper Salford Park in Schwenksville

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



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 “Cantilena” Lau

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*GATHERING SONGS “God of All”

1. God of all, we come to praise You.
We lift Your name on high in all the earth.
God of all, we come to praise You.
We lift Your name on high in all the earth.
God of glory, God of majesty,
God of mercy, we lift Your name on high.
God of all, God of all.

2. God of all, we come to praise You.
We lift Your name on high in all the earth.
God of all, we come to praise You.
We lift Your name on high in all the earth.
God of holiness, God of righteousness,
God of heaven, we lift Your name on high;
God of all, God of all.

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“We Come to the Hungry Feast” (#479)

1. We come to the hungry feast
hungry for a word of peace.
To hungry hearts unsatisfied
the love of God is not denied.
We come, we come to the hungry feast.

2. We come to the hungry feast
hungry for a world released
from hungry folk of ev’ry kind,
the poor in body, poor in mind.
We come, we come to the hungry feast.

3. We come to the hungry feast
hungry that the hunger cease,
and knowing, though we eat our fill,
the hunger will stay with us; still
we come, we come to the hungry feast.

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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.



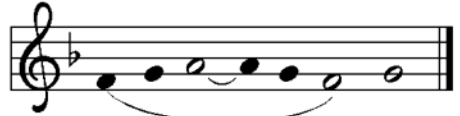
Lord, have mer - cy.

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**

Glorious God, your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READING Isaiah 55:1-5

Hear, everyone who thirsts;
come to the waters;
and you who have no money,
come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk
without money and without price.

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² Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread
and your earnings for that which does not satisfy?

Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,
and delight yourselves in rich food.

³ Incline your ear, and come to me;
listen, so that you may live.

I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
my steadfast, sure love for David.

⁴ See, I made him a witness to the peoples,
a leader and commander for the peoples.

⁵ Now you shall call nations that you do not know,
and nations that do not know you shall run to you,
because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel,
for he has glorified you.

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

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



CANTOR: One does not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

ALL: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

*GOSPEL READING **Matthew 14:13-21**

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

¹³ Now when Jesus heard [about the beheading of John the Baptist,] he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴ When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. ¹⁵ When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." ¹⁶ Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." ¹⁷ They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." ¹⁸ And he said, "Bring them here to me."

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¹⁹ Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and blessed and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰ And all ate and were filled, and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. ²¹ And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

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

SERMON

Pastor Chris McKinstry

***HYMN OF THE DAY “O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts” (#658)**

1. O Jesus, joy of loving hearts,
the fount of life, the light of all:
from ev’ry bliss that earth imparts
we turn, unfilled, to hear Your call.

2. We taste You, ever-living bread,
and long to feast upon You still;
we drink of You, the fountainhead;
our thirsting souls from You we fill.

3. For You our restless spirits yearn,
where’er our changing lot is cast;
glad, when Your smile on us You turn,
blest, when by faith we hold You fast.

4. O Jesus, ever with us stay!
Make all our moments fair and bright!
Oh, chase the night of sin away!
Shed o’er the world Your holy light.

***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 “Gift of Finest Wheat” Schmoltze

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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.

***EUCCHARISTIC 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 #461, #487, #515***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** *“Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises” (#535)*

REFRAIN: Hallelujah! We sing Your praises,

all our hearts are filled with gladness.

Hallelujah! We sing Your praises,

all our hearts are filled with gladness. (Repeat)

1. Christ the Lord to us said: I am wine, I am bread,

I am wine, I am bread, give to all who thirst and hunger. (Repeat)

REFRAIN, twice.

2. Now he sends us all out, strong in faith, free of doubt,

strong in faith, free of doubt. Tell to all the joyful gospel. (Repeat)

REFRAIN, twice.

***DISMISSAL**

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE *“Praising!”* Martin

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS SERVING TODAY

10:30 AM

Ushers: Mike Kehs &
Linda Kehs

Acolyte: Ryan Englehart

Cantor: Andy Englehart

Worship Assistant: Sarah Englehart

Nursery Assistant: Janet Luyben

Counters: Chas & Gina Weygand

Altar Guild: Rose Koehler & Louise Hunsicker

Banners: Louise Hunsicker & John Souder

PRAYER CONCERNS....

PRAYERS FOR SPIRITUAL, PHYSICAL HEALING & RENEWAL

Tanner Anttilosky, Martin Conte, Debbie Feitchthaler, Anne Fisher,
Jay Kapila, Greg Kealey, Leslie Leben, Gene & Pat Miesse,
Bev O'Brien, Daniela Rivera, Don Peters, Robin Schlichter, Joseph Schmitt,
Savoeun Touch, Rita Weiss, Gail Wetzell, & Bobbie Willis.

ONGOING PRAYERS

Susie Barker, Jeanne Bullard, Audrey Englehart, Margaret Fisher,
Effa Hunt, Derek Kirby, Nellie Ann Kodoziejski, Bill Luyben
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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