

OUR CHURCH FAMILY AT WORSHIP

7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

“No One is Beyond Reach”

11:00 A.M.

July 24, 2022

TIME OF GATHERING: Read through Announcements, Pray over Concerns, Meditate on Celebrations and the wonder and grace of God, and Thanksgiving to God....

**Please sign the red pads and pass it onto the next person in your pew.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE      *Herr Jesu Christ, dich zu uns wend*      Johann Gottfried Walther  
(Lord Jesus Christ, Turn Thou to Us)

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: This is the good news we proclaim to you.

**People: Jesus Christ is raised from the dead!**

Liturgist: Walk in the light of his love.

**People: Live in the light of his teachings and healing mercies.**

**All: Come, let us worship the triumph of our Lord!**

\*HYMN      *Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus*      No. 325

OPENING PRAYER

**Life-Giving Lord, we know about the powers of death, powers that persist among us. We know about the powers of fear and anxiety, powers before which we are helpless. And then there is YOU. You in the darkness. You on Saturday. You at dawn, unextinguished. You who brings joy to the world. We give thanks for the newness and power you bring to our lives. Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord we pray, Amen.**

SCRIPTURE LESSON      *Matthew 28:1-10*

Liturgist: The Word of God for God's people.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

\*DOXOLOGY      *Christ is the World's Light*      No. 188 vs. 4

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH      The Apostles' Creed *Ecumenical Version*      No. 882

SPECIAL MUSIC      *This Is My Father's World/He's Got the Whole World in His Hands*  
Michael Stauffer, Trombone with Phyllis Conrad, piano      arr. Brandt Adams

SECOND READING      *1 Peter 3:18-20a; 4:6*  
MESSAGE      “No One is Beyond Reach”      *Pastor Janet Saddel*

\*HYMN      *My Jesus, I Love Thee*      No. 172

AN INVITATION TO PRAY

+Prayer of Confession (unison)

**Infinite God, whose love embraces all your people of all times, forgive us when we fail to understand that Jesus' sacrifice is not only for us. It was for all your children. We don't understand what it means that he descended to the dead, so we often think that it was only for us he died and rose again. Help us understand and believe that your love is so encompassing, it is unlimited by time or place. Amen.**

+Pastoral Prayer

+Lord's Prayer (trespasses)

+Sung Response      *He Is Lord*      No. 177

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory      Variations on *O Sons and Daughters Let Us Sing*      Wilbur Held

\*Congregational Response      *What Gift Can We Bring*      No. 87 vs. 4

\*HYMN      *To God Be the Glory*      No. 98

\*BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Gospel is the good news of what God has done through Jesus Christ-the light breaking into the dark world, reaching out to every person throughout all of history. No one is beyond his reach.

**People: We will reach out and share the good news with those we love, so that they might know the joy of new life in Christ. Amen.**

\*SUNG RESPONSE      *Majesty, Worship His Majesty*      No. 176

\*POSTLUDE      *Voluntary V*      John Stanley

\*All stand if possible +All kneel or sit to pray

*The altar flowers for today are presented by Geoff Sowers  
in honor of Joan's birthday.*

We thank all those who helped with the service this morning.  
Liturgist: Joan Sowers  
We thank Michael Stauffer this morning for our special music.

### Mission Statement for the Church of the Good Shepherd

We are committed to:

- ▶ Connecting persons to Jesus Christ
- ▶ Connecting with broken and hurting people **2022 Mission Support**

#### International

Heifer Int., UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief),  
Congo Partners in Mission, Africa University

#### Lebanon County

COGS in Motion, Gretna Glen Support, Habitat for Humanity, Iglesia Nuevo Nacimiento,  
Lebanon County Christian Ministries (LCCM), Lebanon Rescue Mission, Support  
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- ▶ Challenging persons to grow and celebrate their relationship with Jesus Christ
- ▶ Equipping persons and partnering with them to serve in God-powered ministry

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## **TRADITIONAL WORSHIP**

### *Celebration of Faith*

Symbols of the Christian Faith



### **Agnus Dei**

The Lamb of God, carrying the Banner of Victory.  
The banner itself is sometimes called the Easter or Resurrection Banner,  
symbolizing Christ's victory over death. The three rayed halo signifies divinity.

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Sermon Outline:

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Matthew 28:1-10; 1 Peter 3:18-20a; 4:6 CEB

“He descended to the dead” can be a controversial statement in the Apostle’s Creed. Yet there is so much to unpack in this statement. Jesus not only took the punishment of our sin- which is death- he also willingly descended to the darkest place, “the lower regions”, to reach us and to save us.

“The third day He rose again from the dead.” The next statement affirms Jesus’ victory over sin and death as the resurrected Lord. (Colossians 2:15) The resurrection is a distinctive of Christianity and is central to our faith. (1 Corinthians 15)

Through Jesus’s death on the cross, we are forgiven and made righteous before God. Because of the power of the resurrection, we have confidence that no one is beyond the reach of God’s incredible love. We have been given this promise and this hope, and now as followers of Christ, we are called to share this Good News with the world.

Calendar for Week of 7/24/2022

SUNDAY

8:30 / 9:45 - Contemporary [Worship Center]

9:45 - Sunday School

11:00 - Traditional Worship [Sanctuary]

11:00 - Parenting SS Class [Lounge]

11:30—Farewell Celebration: Connor

4: 00 - Private Hall, yth rm, Gthrng Area

6:00—Middle School Youth Night

MONDAY

10am—Staff Meeting

6:00 - CR Praise band rehearsal [WC]

7:00—Finance Team [lounge]

TUESDAY

7:am—Private [gathering area]

7:00—Who Will Be a Witness? Study [Lounge]

WEDNESDAY

5:30-8:00 - High School Yth [Hall/Forge]

7:00 - Celebrate Recovery

THURSDAY

5:00—Contemporary Design Team

5:30—Traditional Design Team

6:00 - CR Step Study [rm 21]

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

9:00 - Contemporary Worship Rehearsal

2:00 - private [pavilion]

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