

Pentecost 06

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Greg Fetzner, Pastor

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Celebrate (Introduction)

“The mystery of God’s ways is sometimes hidden from the wise and intelligent. Jesus associates with those often excluded from the religious community. Like Paul, we struggle with our own selfish desires and seek God’s mercy and forgiveness. We gather to be refreshed by Christ’s invitation: “Come to me, all you that are weary.” Gathered around word, water, and meal, we find rest for our souls.”

Opening Hymn: [ELW 879 – For the Beauty of the Earth](#)

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.

Hymn of Praise: [ELW 876 – Let the Whole Creation Cry](#)

1st Reading: [Zechariah 9:9-12](#)

Psalmody: Psalm 145:8-14

⁸The LORD is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

⁹The LORD is good to all,
and his compassion is over all that he has made.

¹⁰All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,
and all your faithful shall bless you.

¹¹They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom
and tell of your power,

¹²to make known to all people your^[a] mighty deeds
and the glorious splendor of your^[b] kingdom.

¹³Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,
and your dominion endures throughout all generations.

The LORD is faithful in all his words
and gracious in all his deeds.^[c]

¹⁴The LORD upholds all who are falling
and raises up all who are bowed down.

2nd Reading: [Romans 7:15-25a](#)

The Gospel: [Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30](#)

Hymn: [ELW 655 – Son of God, Eternal Savior](#)

The Message: [\(Sermon Audio Link\)](#) – Pastor Jack Trautwien

Offering*: [\(On-Line giving Link\)](#)

We give thee but thine own, what e'er the gift may be; all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

The Prayer

We pray for all who need your comforting and healing presence especially: Wilfried Bachmann, Heidi Brackbill, Parker Brennan, the Elshafei family, Alexis Erdman, Samantha Erdman, the Fleming family, Jeff Fultz, the Phil Gasior family, Mary Goehring, Angela Hays, Mark Hughes, the Johnson family, Faith Jolly, Robert Karner, Charles Larsen, Charlotte Leer, the McNamara family, Donna Mayhew, Wendy Neumann, Julie Obie, Peter Olsen, Brenda Penyak, Dottie Reitz, Robert Reitz, Ed and Valerie Roth, Colin Shea, Jerry Shea, Jack Smith, the Spiegler family, Esther Trautwein, and Pastor Jack.

We ask this in the name of Jesus. Amen

The Lord's Prayer

The Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you;

The Lord make His face shine upon you;

The Lord lift up His presence upon you and give you peace. Amen

And now my brothers and sisters

Live on knowing God's love,

The joy of living this life of love,

And the peace which only comes through the power of His presence within you.

So live on in Love, Joy, Peace, and Power.

Closing Hymn: [ELW 818 – O Master Let Me Walk with Thee](#)

Announcements

- **Sunday, 8/13/2023 – OUTDOOR WORSHIP**

*Offering to be sent to

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10274 Raleigh Tavern Lane
Ellicott City, MD 21042

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9122 Sybert Drive
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Ellicott City, MD 21043
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