

++Benediction

The Lord Bless us and keep us, the Lord make his face to shine on us and be gracious to us.
The Lord Look upon us with favor and give us peace. **Amen.**

++Sending Hymn #559 "Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

Green Hymnal

++Dismissal

Alleluia! Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!** Go in peace. In Christ you are made new.
Alleluia! Alleluia! **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Calendar

Sept. 4—Council meeting @ 7:30

The Church Prays For:

Joan Snyder, Bailey Romberger, Heather Snyder, Bill Howerter, Mary Reiner, Bentley Bardo, Ruby Hepler, Margie Boyer, Beverly Lettich, Ashley Pile, Maryjane Allvord, Cole Rothermel, Justin Bowman, Ken Morgan, Penny Troutman, John Lazur, Christiana Weaver, Patricia Pietrusewicz, Dale Bolich, Jared Bush, Joyce Paul, Rod VanAmburgh, Nanette Webster, Betty Swingle, Ronnie Scheib, Jeff Gates, Rudy Arceo, John Kerstetter, Bill Simons, Hope Records, Beverly Wolfgang, Randy Ream

Aug. 24

Reader: Joyce Deeben

Acolyte: Jason James

Greeter: Steve & Linda Mattern

Aug. 31

Reader: Bill Simons

Acolyte: Brady Wolfgang

Greeter: Brad Schreffler



**St. James Lutheran Church
Pitman, PA**

**Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost
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Announcements & Prelude

-The Musical Prelude invites us to become quiet and reverent in God’s House.

Confession and Forgiveness

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

BAPTIZED INTO CHRIST, LET US CONFESS OUR SIN.
SILENCE IS KEPT FOR REFLECTION.

MERCIFUL GOD, YOU FREE US TO LOVE OTHERS, BUT WE NEGLECT OUR NEIGHBORS AND FOLLOW OUR OWN WAY. YOU LEAD US BY THE SPIRIT OF JOY AND PEACE, BUT WE TURN AWAY FROM THE ABUNDANT LIFE YOU OFFER. YOU SURROUND US WITH PATIENCE, KINDNESS, AND GENEROSITY, BUT WE GROW WEARY IN DOING WHAT IS RIGHT. IN YOUR MERCY, FORGIVE US. DO NOT GIVE UP ON US. HEAL US, BREAK OUR BONDS, AND SHOW US THE PATH OF LIFE. AMEN.

YOU BELONG TO CHRIST JESUS AND YOU ARE GOD’S CHILDREN THROUGH FAITH. IN THE CROSS OF ✠ CHRIST, AND THROUGH THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, YOUR SINS ARE FORGIVEN. CLOTHED WITH CHRIST, YOU ARE A NEW CREATION. AMEN.

++Gathering Hymn #543-“PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY” GREEN HYMNAL

++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.**

++Prayer of the Day (Prayed by All)	Celebrate pg. 1
First Reading: Isaiah 58:9b-14	Celebrate pg. 1
Psalm 103	Celebrate pg. 2
Second Reading Hebrews 12:18-29	Celebrate pg. 3

Children’s Sermon

++Gospel Acclamation (Spoken in Unison)
Alleluia. The crowd was rejoicing at the wonderful things that Jesus was doing. Alleluia.

++The Holy Gospel according to Luke	“Glory to you, O Lord.”
++Holy Gospel: Luke 13:10-17	Celebrate pg. 3
++The Gospel of the LORD.	“Praise to you, O Christ.”

Sermon

Hymn #520—“Give to Our God Immortal Praise” Green Hymnal

Apostles’ Creed (Spoken in Unison)
I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, he was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, and 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 Response: **“Your Mercy is Great”**

++Sharing of the Peace
The Peace of the LORD be with you always. **And also with you.**

Offering
++Offertory: “With Every Breath I Take” (Sang Twice)
-With every breath I take, God I will praise you. With every word I speak, your hope I will sing. When I lie down at night or when I greet the morning light, Love of my heart, praises to you, gladly I’ll bring.

++Lord’s Prayer: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:
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.