



SUNDAY:
JUNE 1, 2025
Ascension
We worship at
10:00 a.m.

The Lutheran Church
of Our Saviour

Today's Participants

Pastor: Joachim Wilck

Organist: Lucas Myers

Cantor: Jonathan Howell

Service Leader: Brian Spencer

Ushers: Larry & Sharon Nazarian

Lector: Pam Spencer

Greeters: Joe Caputo

Communion Assistants: Lois Dannenberg & Pam Spencer

Cross Bearer: TBA

*Special thanks to those who are providing coffee-hour for us today.
Additionally, we thank our acolytes and those who train them.*

Prelude ~ Announcements & Celebrations

Entrance Hymn

"A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing"

1 A hymn of glo - ry let us sing! New hymns through-out the world shall
 2 The ho - ly ap - os - tol - ic band up - on the Mount of Ol - ives
 3 To whom the shin - ing an - gels cry, "Why stand and gaze up - on the
 4 "You see him now, as - cend - ing high up to the por - tals of the
 5 O ris - en Christ, as - cend - ed Lord, all praise to you let earth ac -

ring: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ, by a road be - fore un -
 stand, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! and with his faith - ful fol - l'wers
 sky?" Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! "This is the Sav - ior!" thus they
 sky." Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! "Here - af - ter Je - sus you shall
 cord: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! You are, while end - less a - ges

trod, as - cends un - to the throne of God.
 see their Lord as - cend in maj - es - ty.
 say, "this is his glo - rious tri - umph day!" Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
 see re - turn - ing in great maj - es - ty."
 run, with Fa - ther and with Spir - it one.

lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen

All: Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

Pastor: In the name of † the One who was, who is, and who is to come.

All: Amen.

Pastor: Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

(Pastor prays over the Baptismal Font)

Pastor: Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One,

All: Make us one as you are one.

Pastor: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One,

All: Make us one as you are one.

Pastor: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One,

All: Make us one as you are one.

Pastor: Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.

All: Amen.



1. Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
3. Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
4. Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
5. For the Lamb who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion. (go to verse 4)
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.
 gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Apostolic Greeting & Prayer of the Day

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all!

All: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray.

All: Almighty God, your only Son was taken into the heavens and in your presence intercedes for us. Receive us and our prayers for all the world, and in the end bring everything into your glory, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Reading: Acts 1:1-11

Lector: {Before he is lifted into heaven, Jesus promises that the missionary work of the disciples will spread out from Jerusalem to all the world. His words provide an outline of the book of Acts.}

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Luke writes: In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.



Psalm 47

Lector: Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with a joyful sound.

All: For the Lord Most High is to be feared: a great king over all the earth,

Lector: who subdues the peoples under us, and the nations under our feet;

All: who chooses our inheritance for us, the pride of Jacob, whom God loves.

Lector: God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of the ram's horn.

All: Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our king, sing praises.

Lector: For God is king of all the earth; sing praises with a song.

All: God reigns over the nations; God is enthroned on high.

Lector: The nobles of the peoples have gathered as the people of the God of Abraham.
The rulers of the earth belong to God, who is highly exalted.

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:15-23

Lector: {The risen and exalted Christ reigns over the entire universe. The author of Ephesians prays that we are given the wisdom to know the power of the risen Christ and the empowering hope that the knowledge of this inheritance provides.}

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason. I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Festival Alleluia

by James Chepponis

Choir or Cantor sings first time, then congregation repeat.



***VERSE: Go and make disciples of all nations, says the Lord;*
I am with you always, to the end of the age.

Gospel: Luke 24:44-53

Pastor: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to the eleven and those with them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.” Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.”

Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

The Sermon

Pastor Joachim Wilck

Hymn of the Day

“Jesus Shall Reign Where’er the Sun”

1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does its suc -
2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es
3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - 'ry tongue dwell on his
4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns: the pris - 'ners

ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from
throng to crown his head; his name like sweet per -
love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es
leap to lose their chains, the wea - ry find e -

shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.
fume shall rise with ev - 'ry morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.
ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.

The Nicene Creed

All: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Pastor: God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

God of empowerment, you have blessed the church with art, poetry, and music. Inspire leaders and congregations to seek more ways to be your creative hands and feet on earth. Hear us, O God.

All: **Your mercy is great.**

Pastor: God of abundance, your love can be seen in each plant, each creature, and every landscape. Nurture crops as they develop. Protect new animal life. Restore habitats destroyed by natural disaster or human neglect. Hear us, O God.

All: **Your mercy is great.**

Pastor: God of the nations, you are enthroned above all. Bring an end to divisions that break down the human family. Enable cooperation between governments and international organizations to pursue peace and fair treatment. Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

Pastor: God of compassion, you console all who are hurting. Help us recognize the deep hurts of grief, loneliness, broken relationships, and trauma in our midst. Guide us in caring for one another. Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

Pastor: God of change, you promised to be with your disciples as they faced an unknown future. Amid graduations and other transitions, sustain your people with your presence and love. Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

Pastor: God of life, we give you thanks for the lives and examples of our beloved siblings in Christ. Nourish and deepen our shared faith in your promises. Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

Pastor: We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

All: Amen.

Sharing of Peace

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you always!

All: And also with you.

We greet each other with a sign of peace.

Offertory Anthem

“More of You” *Trevor Thomson*

The offering is collected and brought forward during the singing of the Anthem.

More of you, less of me, is what I'm asking, is what I need.

In my life and in my soul; more of you, less of me.

May you increase as I decrease.

May you grow as I surrender to your love,
to your peace, to your joy.

Offering Prayer

Pastor: Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world.

All: Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

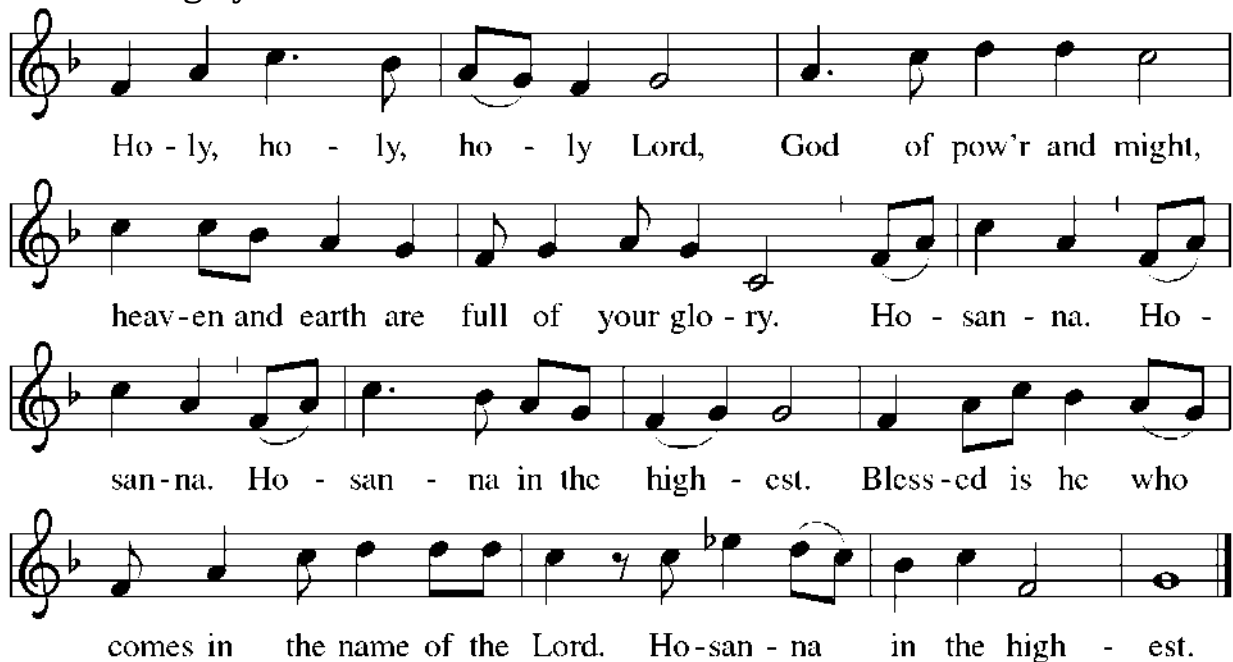
All: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Pastor: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

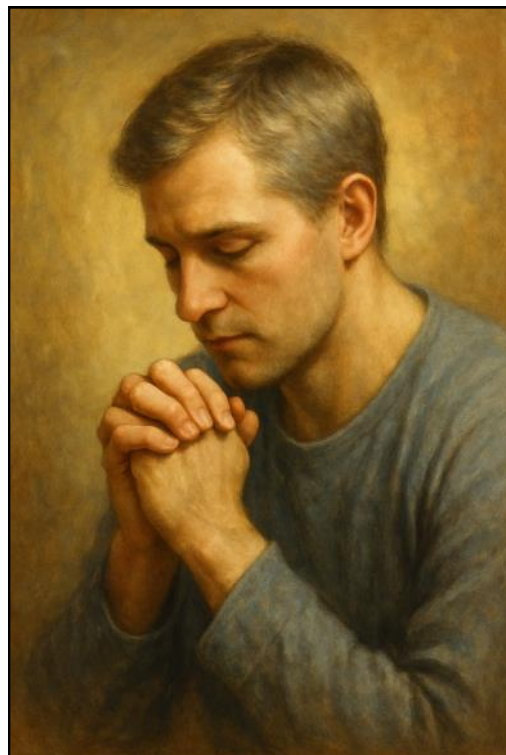
Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

All: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Pastor: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**All: 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

Pastor: Come to the table of the Lord. Receive the gift of new life.

All: Amen.

Communion Anthem

“I’ll Fly Away” by Albert E. Bromley

Some bright morning when this life is o’er I’ll fly away.
To that home on God’s Celestial Shore, I’ll fly away.

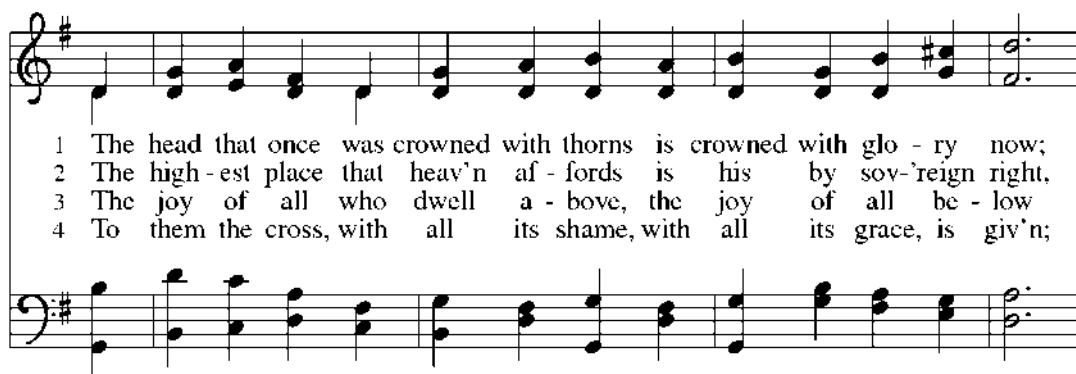
(refrain) I’ll fly away, O glory, I’ll fly away.
When I die, Hallelujah by and by, Oh, I’ll fly away.

When the shadows of this life have gone I’ll fly away.
Like a bird from prison bars has flown, I’ll fly away. (refrain)

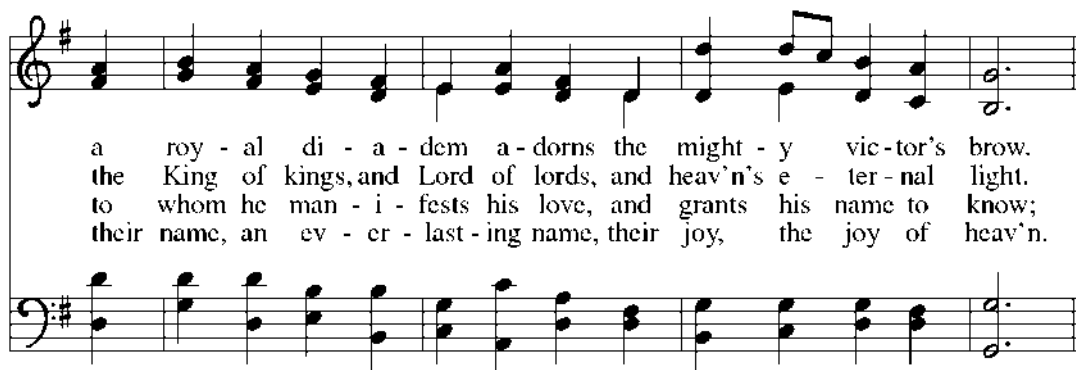
Oh, how glad and happy when we meet, I’ll fly away.
No more cold iron shackles on my feet, I’ll fly away. (refrain)

Just a few more weary days and then I’ll fly away.
Just a few more weary days and then I’ll fly away. (refrain)

Communion Hymn “The Head That Once was Crowned with Thorns”



1 The head that once was crowned with thorns is crowned with glo - ry now;
2 The high - est place that heav'n af - fords is his by sov - reign right,
3 The joy of all who dwell a - bove, the joy of all be - low
4 To them the cross, with all its shame, with all its grace, is giv'n;



a roy - al di - a - dem a - dorns the might - y vic - tor's brow.
the King of kings, and Lord of lords, and heav'n's e - ter - nal light.
to whom he man - i - fests his love, and grants his name to know;
their name, an ev - er - last - ing name, their joy, the joy of heav'n.

5 They suffer with their Lord below;
they reign with him above;
their profit and their joy to know
the myst'ry of his love.

6 The cross he bore is life and health,
though shame and death to him;
his people's hope, his people's wealth,
their everlasting theme!

Table Grace

Pastor: The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

Post-Communion Prayer

Pastor: Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. **Amen.**

Benediction

Pastor: The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, †Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always. **Amen.**



Closing Hymn

“You Servants of God”

1 You ser-vants of God, your Mas-ter pro-claim, and pub-lish a -
2 As-cend-ed on high, al-might-y to save, yet still he is
3 Sal-va-tion to God who sits on the throne! Let all cry a -
4 Then let us a-dore and give him his right, all glo-ry and

broad his won-der-ful name; the name, all-vic-to-rious, of
nigh, his pres-ence we have. The great con-gre-ga-tion his
loud and hon-or the Son. The prais-es of Je-sus the
pow'r and wis-dom and might, all hon-or and bless-ing, with

Je-sus ex-tol; his king-dom is glo-rious and rules o-ver all!
tri-umph shall sing, as-crib-ing sal-va-tion to Je-sus, our king!
an-gels pro-claim, fall down on their fac-es, and wor-ship the Lamb.
an-gels a-bove, and thanks nev-er ceas-ing, and in-fin-ite love!

Dismissal

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Pastor: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude



Sunday, June 1 (observance of Ascension)

9:00 a.m. Choir Practice
 9:15 a.m. Sunday School (special activity day)
 10:00 a.m. Communion Service
 11:10 a.m. Bell Choir Practice

Monday, June 2

6:30 p.m. Scouting America

Tuesday, June 3

10:00 a.m. Bible Study
 12:30 p.m. WELCA Luncheon Out @ Silo Brunch Bar

Friday, June 6

5:30 p.m. German School

Saturday, June 7

9:00 a.m. German School
 9:00 a.m. Landscape Cleanup

Sunday, June 8—PENTECOST

9:00 a.m. Choir Practice
 9:15 a.m. Sunday School (last Sunday School for the Season)
 10:00 a.m. Communion Service
 11:10 a.m. Bell Choir Practice

Remembering Reformation



A dedication ceremony is planned for the historical marker commemorating Reformation Lutheran Church's 153 years of ministry in the City of Rochester.

This ceremony will take place at Reformation's former building at:

**111 North Chestnut Street in Rochester
Saturday, June 7th at 2:00 PM**

Following the ceremony, attendees are invited to gather for a time of fellowship at the home of Gail & Arnie Boldt at:

**126 Commodore Parkway,
Rochester, NY (Town of Brighton)**

All are welcome.

Those planning to attend are asked to RSVP by May 31st with the number attending by emailing ArnoldBoldt@aol.com or by texting / calling 585-737-7258.

YARD CLEANUP DAY

JUNE 7TH • 9:00 AM

Bring your rakes, pruners, shovels, wheelbarrows, trimmers, and leaf blowers!



A celebration of song and dance

(Featuring our own Jennifer Kelly!!!!)

Arts Unlimited have renamed their annual spring production! "Inspire: A celebration of song and dance" it will showcase their vocal group and, dance group! Both groups were designed to allow individuals to have fun, make music and dance, in a safe and comfortable environment.

Come see *INSPIRE* on June 22, 2025, 3PM at Churchville-Chili High School!

Next Sunday's Participants

Service Leader: Brian Spencer

Usher: Larry & Sharon Nazarian

Lector: Pam Spencer

Communion Assistants: Lois Dannenberg & Pam Spencer

Greeter: Joe Caputo

Cross Bearer—TBA

Birthdays & Anniversaries This Week

Ken Keller	June 2
Caleb Blank	June 4
Barbara Collins	June 4
Gordon Seppa	June 4
Alice Newbury	June 5

Happy Anniversary:

David & Becky Wiesmore—June 6 (32 years)



PENTECOST SUNDAY & CONFIRMATION

June 8, 2025

Worship at 10:00 a.m.



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