

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

9:30 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

JUNE 26, 2022

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Mission Statement: Being an example of God's acceptance and grace to all.



INTRODUCTION

We have no good apart from God. That makes Jesus' call to follow him an invitation to freedom. This is freedom to revel in the Spirit's fruit: love, joy, peace, and patience. This is freedom to not be imprisoned by anything that would keep us from the fullness of the life God has given us. This is the path of life.

COMMUNITY NEWS

WORSHIP (**stand as you are able*)

Worship gathers us to stand with each other again in Easter's first light. We gather to offer to God the one thing God does not first give us, our praise. Here our story is made part of God's story and God's story is made our own.

Worship turns us toward God. Like the crowds following Jesus, we come to his feet to be found, fed, healed and raised, and we are given to stand in the Kingdom of God, heaven itself, receiving again God's free gifts and presence.

Worship turns us toward the world. Like the disciples before us, here we are made church, made the living body of Christ for the world as we learn again who we are, what we are worth, and what our lives are about.

It is the template and practice field for our everyday selves in the everyday world as children of God, disciples of Jesus, and servant citizens of the kingdom of God. So, we begin our worship by singing together our gathering hymn.

GATHERING HYMN #786

"O Holy Spirit, Enter In"



1 O Ho - ly Spir - it, en - ter in, and in our hearts your
2 Left to our - selves, we sure - ly stray; oh, lead us on the
3 O might - y Rock, O Source of life, let your good Word in



work be - gin, and make our hearts your dwell - ing. Sun of the soul,
nar - row way, with wis - est coun - sel guide us; and give us stead -
doubt and strife be in us strong - ly burn - ing, that we be faith -



O Light di - vine, a - round and in us bright - ly shine, your strength
fast - ness, that we may fol - low you for - ev - er free, no mat -
ful un - to death and live in love and ho - ly faith, from you



in us up - well - ing. In your ra - diance life from heav - en now is
ter who de - rides us. Gent - ly heal those hearts now bro - ken; give some
true wis - dom learn - ing. Lord, your mer - cy on us show - er; by your



giv - en o - ver - flow - ing, gift of gifts be - yond all know - ing.
to - ken you are near us, whom we trust to light and cheer us.
pow - er Christ con - fess - ing, we will cher - ish all your bless - ing.

Text: Michael Schirmer, 1606–1673; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, adapt.
Music: WIE SCHÖN LEUCHTET, Philipp Nicolai, 1556–1608

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
whose steadfast love endures forever.

C **Amen.**

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Merciful God,

C **we confess that we have not followed your path
but have chosen our own way.**

**Instead of putting others before ourselves,
we long to take the best seats at the table.**

**When met by those in need,
we have too often passed by on the other side.**

Set us again on the path of life.

**Save us from ourselves
and free us to love our neighbors.**

Amen.

P Hear the good news!

God does not deal with us according to our sins
but delights in granting pardon and mercy.

In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

You are free to love as God loves.

C **Amen.**

CANTICLE OF PRAISE



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;



you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.



For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

GREETING

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P Sovereign God, ruler of all hearts, you call us to obey you, and you favor us with true freedom. Keep us faithful to the ways of your Son, that, leaving behind all that hinders us, we may steadfastly follow your paths, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C **Amen.**

FIRST READING

1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21

¹⁵Then the LORD said to [Elijah,] “Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. ¹⁶Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place.

¹⁹So he set out from there, and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was plowing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over him. ²⁰He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, “Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you.” Then Elijah said to him, “Go back again; for what have I done to you?” ²¹He returned from following him, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out and followed Elijah, and became his servant.

- A The word of the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING

Galatians 5:1, 13-25

¹For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

¹³For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. ¹⁴For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” ¹⁵If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

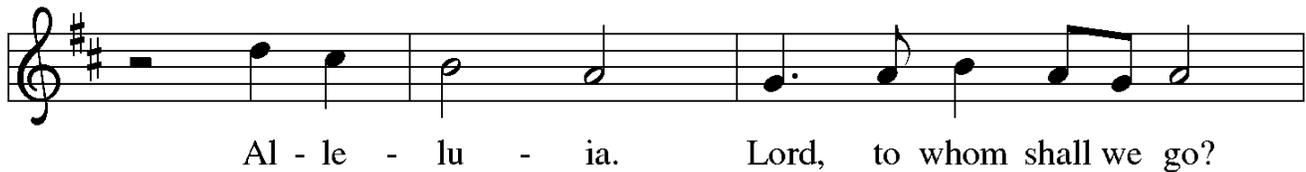
¹⁶Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. ¹⁸But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. ¹⁹Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, ²⁰idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, ²¹envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

²²By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, ²³gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. ²⁴And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

A The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL READING

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 9th chapter
C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Luke 9:51-62

⁵¹When the days drew near for [Jesus] to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem.
⁵²And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; ⁵³but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. ⁵⁴When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" ⁵⁵But he turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶Then they went on to another village.

⁵⁷As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." ⁵⁸And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." ⁵⁹To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." ⁶⁰But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." ⁶¹Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." ⁶²Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

P ...the Gospel of our Lord.
C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

PENNY COLLECTION

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY #798

"Will You Come and Follow Me"
Congregation sing V 1, 3, 5
Dave & Kay sing V 2 & 4



1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call
4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call
5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? Will you go where you don't
your name? Will you care for cruel and
your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners
your name? Will you quell the fear in -
my name. Let me turn and fol - low



know and nev - er be the same?
kind and nev - er be the same?
free and nev - er be the same?
side and nev - er be the same?
you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my
Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -
Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as
Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the
In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be
tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer
this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I
world a - round, through my sight and touch and
foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"
pray'r in you and you in me?"
mean in you and you in me?"
sound in you and you in me?"
grow in you and you in me.

Text: John L. Bell, b. 1949
Music: KELVINGROVE, Scottish traditional
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APOSTLES' CREED

P My brothers and sisters, having heard the Good News proclaimed, let us stand and confess our faith together using the words of the Apostle's Creed.

**C 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
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended into hell.
On the third day He rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again 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 PEOPLE

P United in Christ and guided by the Spirit, we pray for the church, the creation, and all in need.

A brief silence .

A God of faithfulness, set the face of your church firmly on you. Rooted in your self-giving love, may the church find freedom in loving our neighbors. God of grace,
C hear our prayer.

A God of gentleness, strengthen the earth's ability to heal. Where there are dangerous storms, bring calm. Where there are destructive fires, bring rain. Protect homes, habitats, and livelihoods threatened by climate disasters. God of grace,
C **hear our prayer.**

A God of peace, guide all who govern, that they place the good of their citizens above self-promotion. Anoint leaders of nations with your Spirit of neighborly love. Protect refugees and all who live under tyranny or conflict. God of grace,
C **hear our prayer.**

A God of kindness, reveal your healing presence to all who are sick or dying. Uphold those who grieve. Support the needs of any who are unemployed, hungry, or have nowhere to lay their heads. God of grace,
C **hear our prayer.**

A God of love, attend to those struggling with addiction, depression, or uncontrolled anger. Provide support systems and loving companions as they work toward health, that they may rest in hope and know the fullness of joy in your presence. God of grace,
C **hear our prayer.**

A God of joy, we give thanks for all who have died and now celebrate the inheritance of life in you. Keep their examples of faithfulness always before us, that we trust your promises in life and in death. God of grace,
C **hear our prayer.**

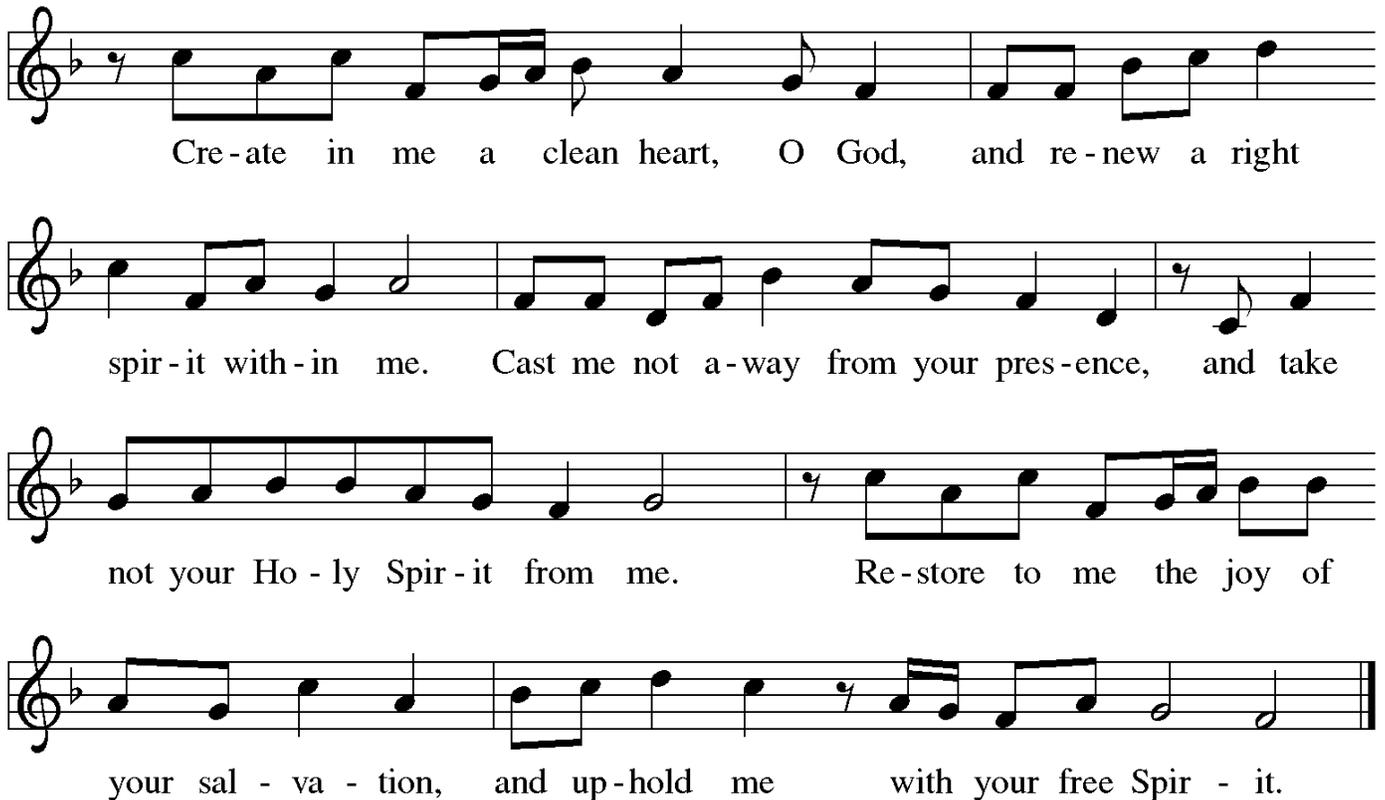
P God of every time and place, in Jesus' name and filled with your Holy Spirit, we entrust these spoken prayers and those in our hearts into your holy keeping.
C **Amen.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C **And also with you.**

OFFERING

By our offering we become a part of a mission to be examples of God's acceptance and grace to all in a church that has shared these precious gifts with us in times of joy and sadness. By it we also offer God our most sincere and personal worship: taking some of what matters to us, we put our treasure where we want our hearts to be, and we give it as a giving back of our whole selves to the God who has given us everything and is our everything. So, let us continue our worship now by presenting God with our offerings of duty and delight.



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right
spir-it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take
not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re-store to me the joy of
your sal-va-tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir-it.

Music: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923
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TIME OF OFFERING

Options for giving:

Drop off after service in offering box

Mail in your offering

Use Bill Pay from your bank

Use Venmo. From the app search for us: @Resurrection-Lutheran

OFFERING PRAYER

A God of abundance: you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus.

C **Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

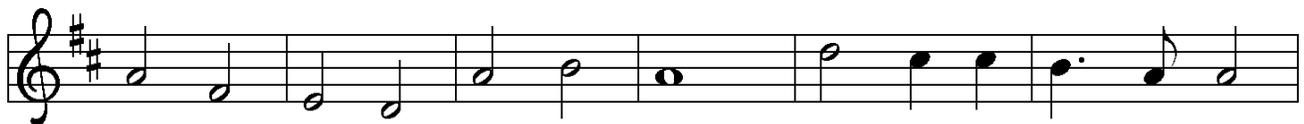
P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

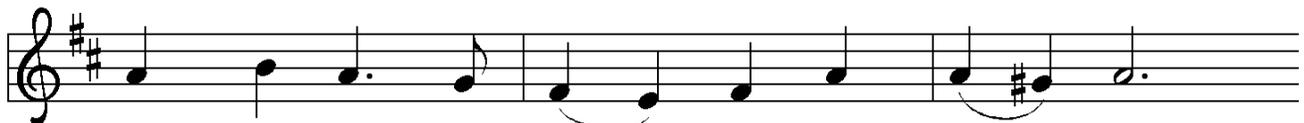
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ;
who on this day overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.
And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.



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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray,

C **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

COMMUNION

Communion is the high point of worship for us. In this moment we step out trusting that God has indeed removed sin, bound up our brokenness, defeated death, conquered evil, and brought us so close that we can touch God and God can touch us with such priceless gifts as welcome, love, grace, mercy, deliverance, and endless life (*Communion options are shared*). My siblings, this is our Lord's table. All are welcome here.

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

A TIME FOR COMMUNION AND REFLECTION

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

P My sisters and brothers, at this time and in this place you are in the very Kingdom of God, now may His Body and His Blood strengthen and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus.

C Amen.

BLESSING

P The God of peace,
Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you, comfort you,
and show you the path of life
this day and always.

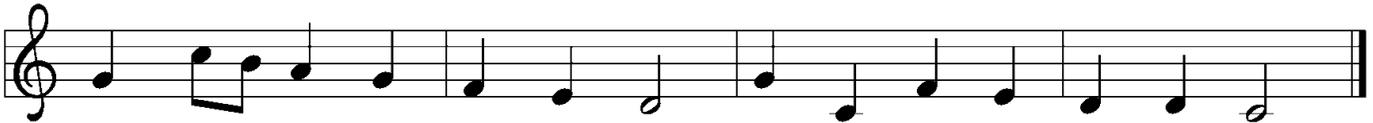
C Amen.

SENDING HYMN - #663

"Spread, Oh, Spread, Almighty Word"



1 Spread, oh, spread, al - might - y Word, spread the reign of God the Lord.
2 Tell of our Re - deem - er's grace, who, to save our hu - man race
3 Tell of God the Spir - it giv'n now to guide us on to heav'n,
4 Lord of har - vest, great and kind, rouse to ac - tion heart and mind;



Send forth our Cre - a - tor's call, heav - en's gifts ex - tend to all.
and to pay re - bel - lion's price, gave him - self as sac - ri - fice.
strong and ho - ly, just and true, work - ing both to will and do.
let the gath - 'ring na - tions all see your light and heed your call.

Text: Jonathan F. Bahnmaier, 1774–1841; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*, alt.
Music: GOTT SEI DANK, J. A. Freylinghausen, *Geistreiches Gesangbuch*, 1704
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DISMISSAL

P Go in peace.

C **Being an example of God's acceptance and grace to all.**

POSTLUDE

PRAY FOR . . .

Family of Bobbie Pedigo

People of Ukraine
Joe Zimecki
Stephanie Haft
Jenny Hobby
Ron Knepper
Jack Bigham
Eddie Carnahan
Othal Carnahan
Tom Cashen
Tony Cotterman
Lela & George Dunn
Tim Humbert
Ray Reffitt
John P
Natilia, Diana
& Munsch Family
Bev Stonebraker

Michelle S.
Craig Steffen
Danny
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Pacho
Brandon Wessley
Kim Nixon
Mary Paonessa
Adrian Butler
Jan Hieber
Patt Hieber
Dean Spires
Barb Franklin
Ebberley & Paul C.
Mary Humbert

Military Service:
Bailey Beyer
Jaidyn Beyer
Collin Monteith
Dakota Francis
Jon Popovich
Matthew Gephart
Stephen Wierzbowski
Alex Horvath

Homebound:
Cindy Dankert
Bob & Cheryl Goble
Norma Greener
Sarajane Hill
Joyce Svoboda



*Today's altar flowers are given by Mark & Margo Grove
in celebration of their 33rd anniversary! Flowers are
also given today by Kay & Lee Humbert in celebration
of their 38th anniversary!*



ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEEK OF WONDER - 20 volunteers put together an amazing Week of Wonder (VBS)! Nearly 60 people came together as families to eat supper, sing, explore nature, do arts and crafts, and wonder about Jesus through Godly Play stories. Thank you to our congregation for supporting this ministry, and also to everyone who participated! We are still collecting non-perishables for our service project, supporting St. Matt's Food Bank. Let's see if we can fill the table at the entrance!

The EYA invites you to walk with us on July 23rd at the **Fort Wayne Pride March**. We will meet at the northeast side of the MLK bridge at 11. We are ordering shirts for those who would like to join us. Please text Steph Spencer at 446-4912 by July 4th to RSVP your shirt sizes or anytime for questions. Donations for shirts are welcome.

Deadline for the **July Newsletter** is June 26th at midnight, if you have something you would like to add, please email it to the office at office@rlcfw.org.

Outdoor Worship dates will be July 17th, August 21st, and September 11th. Remember to bring your chairs and join us between the church and the park. If it rains, we will gather inside, but otherwise, be prepared for the climate!