

# **Trinity Sunday**

June 4, 2023 | 10:30 AM



All are welcome at Saint John's regardless of race, culture, ethnicity, age, gender expression or identity, sexual orientation, physical or mental ability, socioeconomic position, immigration path, or faith journey. We believe that a diverse and inclusive congregation benefits all, and that we grow when we listen to and learn from those who are different from us. Scripture teaches us to do good and seek justice, and we invite you to join us in striving for a just world. We are committed to continuing the work of anti-

racism, social and economic justice, and environmental care. We look forward to learning from one another and growing together on this journey of faith, grace, and love.

Jesus said: "By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another" (John 13:35).

**Guests are welcome.** We are pleased you are worshiping with us today. So that we may be in contact with you, we invite you to sign the guest book in the narthex. Our programs are open to all and you are invited to participate. We hope you will worship with us again soon.

**Children are welcome.** We encourage them to attend worship with their parents—even their noise and restlessness are surely a delight to God. Children's bulletins are available.

**To assist you during worship**: Large print worship bulletins are available from the ushers. Please inform an usher if you would like the pastor to commune you at your pew.

**Offerings**: St. John's is a tithing church. We dedicate a percentage of our offerings to the mission of the wider church through the NJ Synod of the ELCA and to many other mission partners. We are able to support these ministries because of your offerings and tithes.

**Assisted Listening:** To access assisted listening, Connect to the StJohnsALS WiFi network. Download the free WaveCast app to your phone. Tap ST\_JOHNS\_ALS to connect. Please use your own headphones to listen.

# Ministers: The People of Saint John's

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We're delighted you're worshiping with us. As part of our ongoing outreach, your voice and your image may be videographed and photographed and used by St. John's for ministry purposes. For any questions or concerns, contact the church office.

# **Prayer Before Worship**

Holiness, Word, Power, you reveal yourself as one God in three persons, a mighty, creative, life-generating dancer who invites your creation to join you. Catch us up in your love and lead us into your world to call others to follow you with singing and rejoicing. Amen.

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# Note about Today's Service:

We will be using Luther's Chorale Mass today in worship. At the Reformation, Luther reset the ordinary of the mass—the service music that is consistent every week—from Latin plainchant sung by the clergy to rhythmic chorales sung in the vernacular by the whole congregation.

# Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

ELW Evangelical Lutheran Worship: Red Book ACS All Creation Sings: Purple Book

PRELUDE Kyrie, Gott Vater in Ewigkeit, BWV 672 Christe, aller Welt Trost, BWV 673 Kyrie, Gott heiliger Geist, BWV 674

J.S. Bach

#### WELCOME

Please stand.

#### INVOCATION AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Blessed be the Holy and Undivided Trinity, + one God, who is from everlasting to everlasting. **Amen.** 

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;

The earth is full of the glory of God.

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,

Glory to you forever!

Speaker, Word, and Breath of Life!

Glory to you forever!

God who was, God who is, God who is to come:

Glory to you forever!

One-in-Three, Three-in-One, Holy Trinity, our God:

Glory to you forever!

# **GATHERING HYMN** ELW 413 Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!



Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

#### APOSTOLIC 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.** 

## **GLORIA** ELW 410 All Glory Be to God on High

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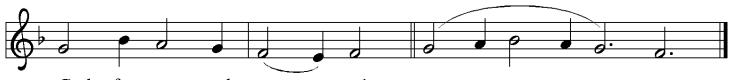


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for grace God and mer cy! lord - ship is our bless ing. all have on us mer cy. lives are in your keep ing.

men.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

#### Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song.

Please be seated.

## FIRST READING Genesis 1:1—2:4a

<sup>1</sup>In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, <sup>2</sup>the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. <sup>3</sup>Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. <sup>4</sup>And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. <sup>5</sup>God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

<sup>6</sup>And God said, "Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." <sup>7</sup>So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. <sup>8</sup>God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

<sup>9</sup>And God said, "Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. <sup>10</sup>God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. <sup>11</sup>Then God said, "Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it." And it was so. <sup>12</sup>The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. <sup>13</sup>And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

<sup>14</sup>And God said, "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, <sup>15</sup>and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth." And it was so. <sup>16</sup>God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. <sup>17</sup>God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, <sup>18</sup>to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. <sup>19</sup>And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

<sup>20</sup>And God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky." <sup>21</sup>So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. <sup>22</sup>God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." <sup>23</sup>And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

<sup>24</sup>And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. <sup>25</sup>God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

<sup>26</sup>Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth."

<sup>27</sup>So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

<sup>28</sup>God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." <sup>29</sup>God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. <sup>30</sup>And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. <sup>31</sup>God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

<sup>2:1</sup>Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. <sup>2</sup>And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. <sup>3</sup>So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

<sup>4a</sup>These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created. *The reader concludes:* The word of the Lord. *The assembly responds:* Thanks be to God.

#### **PSALM 8**

# Sung responsively.

<sup>1</sup>O | LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in | all the earth!— <sup>2</sup>you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of in- | fants and children; you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe | and avenger.

<sup>3</sup>When I consider your heavens, the work <sup>1</sup> of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set <sup>1</sup> in their courses,

<sup>4</sup>what are mere mortals that you should be mind- | ful of them, human beings that you should | care for them?

<sup>5</sup>Yet you have made them little less | than divine; with glory and hon- | or you crown them.

<sup>6</sup>You have made them rule over the works <sup>1</sup> of your hands; you have put all things un- <sup>1</sup> der their feet:

<sup>7</sup>all | flocks and cattle,

even the wild beasts | of the field,

8the birds of the air, the fish | of the sea, and whatever passes along the paths | of the sea.

<sup>9</sup>O | LORD our Lord,

how majestic is your name in | all the earth!

#### **SECOND READING** 2 Corinthians 13:11–13

[Paul writes:] <sup>11</sup>Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. <sup>12</sup>Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

<sup>13</sup>The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

The reader concludes: The word of the Lord. The assembly responds: Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Acclamation sung first by choir, thereafter by all. Verse sung by choir.



V. Holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;\* God's glory fills the whole earth. (Isaiah 6:3)

#### **GOSPEL** Matthew 28:16–20

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew. Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>16</sup>Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. <sup>17</sup>When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. <sup>18</sup>And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup>Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup>and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

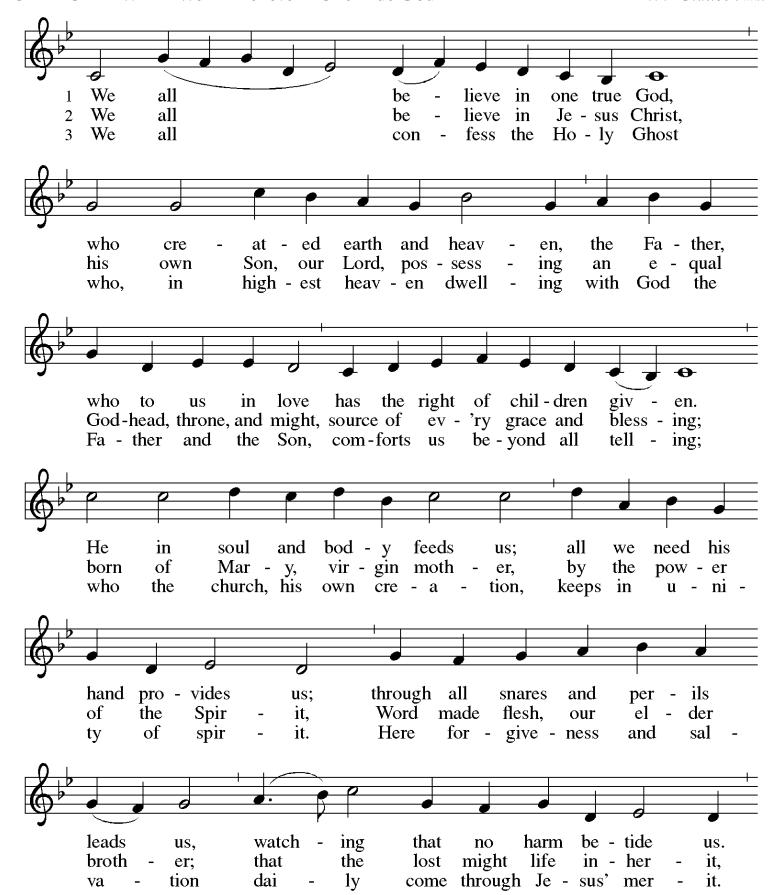
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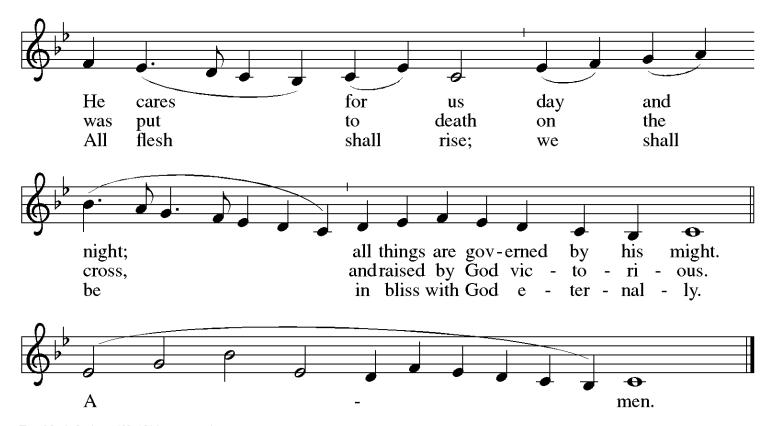
#### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**SERMON** The Rev. Blake A. Scalet



#### **CREDO** ELW 411 We All Believe in One True God





Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. composite Music: WIR GLAUBEN ALL, Latin *Credo*, c. 1300, adapt. Text © 1941 Concordia Publishing House

Please stand.

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

To you, O God, we pray, Hear us, Holy One-in-Three.

#### **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

Please be seated.

#### PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR MISSION

#### **GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

We present offerings for God's mission in the world through this congregation. Both visitors and members alike may use the pew envelope to make a contribution. If you would like to make a one-time or recurring electronic contribution, you may visit www.stjohnssummit.org or scan this code.



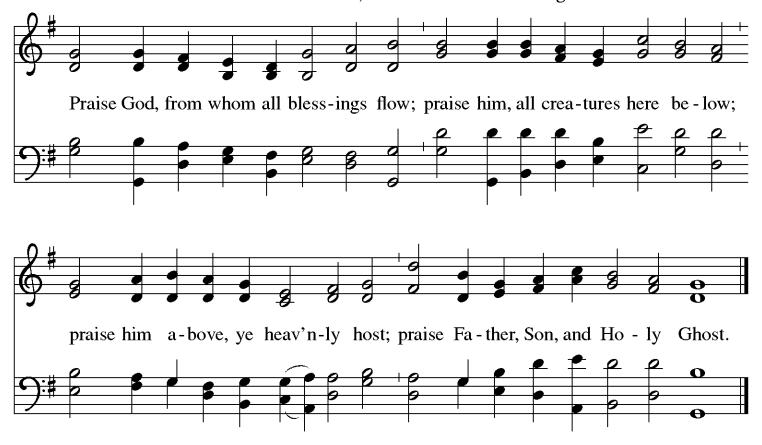
**OFFERING MUSIC** How Lovely are the Messengers (St. Paul) Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy

How lovely are the messengers that preach us the gospel of peace. To all the nations is gone forth the sound of their words,

throughout all the lands their glad tidings.

- Romans 10:15,18

## OFFERING HYMN ELW 884 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow



Text: Thomas Ken, 1637–1711 Music: OLD HUNDREDTH, Louis Bourgeois, 1510–1561

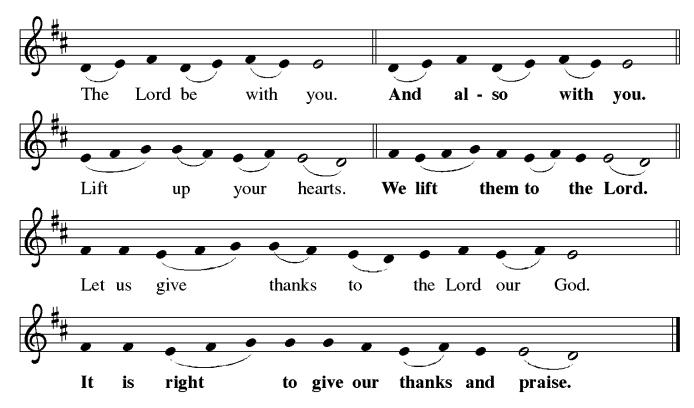
#### **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Let us pray. Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, give us the bread of everlasting life, and make us branches of the true vine. Amen.

## Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

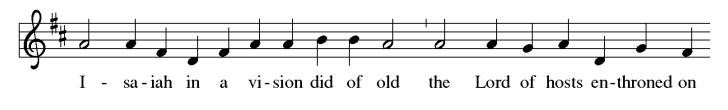
## **GREAT THANKSGIVING**



#### **PROPER PREFACE**

**SANCTUS** ELW 868 Isaiah in a Vision Did of Old

Jesaia, dem Propheten





high be-hold, whose splen-did train was wide out-spread un-til its stream-ing



glo-ry did the tem-ple fill. A - bove God's throne the shin-ing ser - a-phim



#### **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

#### LORD'S PRAYER

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

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

### RECEPTION OF COMMUNON

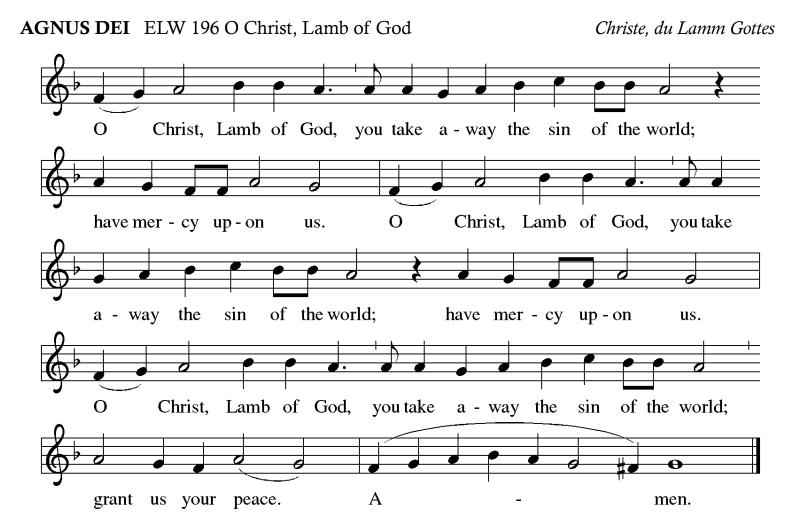
If you wish to receive communion, please approach the pastor one at a time.

The pastor will place a wafer in your open hands. Please indicate if you need a gluten free wafer.

Wine is served from the chalice—either by intinction or drinking from the common cup.

Wine and grape juice are available in pre-filled individual cups.

All baptized Christians are welcome at the Lord's table. If you do not wish to commune, you may come forward for a blessing.



## **COMMUNION HYMN** ELW 415 Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867–1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

Outside USA: Text from *The English Hymnal*, © Oxford University Press 1906.

Please stand.

#### **BLESSING**

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. Amen.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

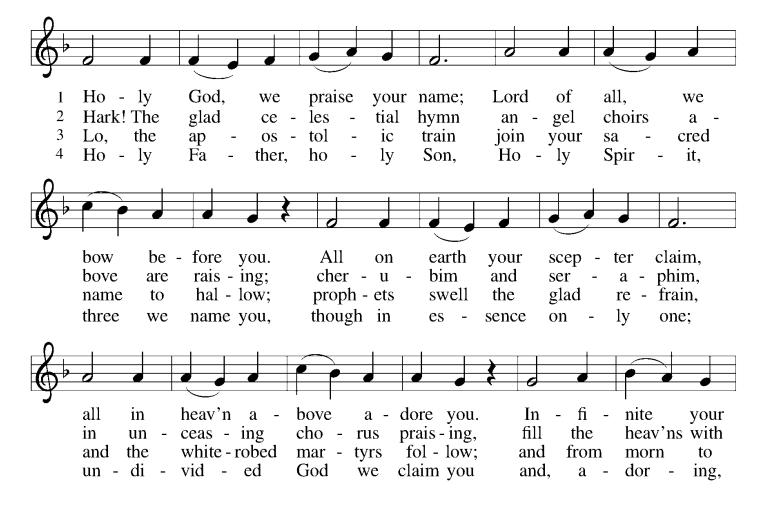
#### **BLESSING**

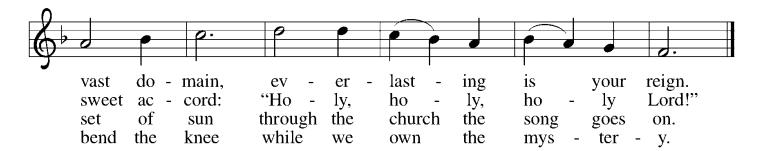
O give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good.

God's mercy endures forever.

Almighty God—Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit—bless you now and forever. Amen.

## **SENDING HYMN** ELW 414 Holy God, We Praise Your Name





Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, *Katholisches Gesangbuch*, Vienna, 1774

## **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE** Wir Gläuben an Einen Gott, BWV 680

J.S. Bach

**Today's altar flowers** are given to the glory of God.

Children's Choir TODAY at 9:30 AM and Faith Formation at 10:00 AM. All children are welcome.

**ASP Stock Sale:** Sundays in June, our ASP volunteers will be on hand to purchase stock to support our teams and our neighbors in Blountville, Sullivan County, TN. Help us equip our teams to rent vans, pay for gas, purchase food and supplies, etc. Stock is available for purchase starting at \$10, but any donation, cash or check, is welcome. Shares available in increments of \$1.

In Search of Paul Forum: Pastor Blake will share what he learned on his trip TODAY at 9:00 AM.

**Psomi's Ordination Celebration:** We will be hosting a luncheon celebration in honor of our own beloved, the Reverend Psomi Psomas-Jackloski **TODAY at Noon**. Psomi was ordained and installed as the pastor of St. Andrew Lutheran Church in Parsippany.

Summit's AAPI Celebration has been rescheduled for Saturday, June 10 on the Village Green from 5:00–10:00 PM. The Evangelism committee is organizing members to be representatives of our congregation, to meet our neighbors, and to enjoy a fun night out!

ONE SERVICE, SUNDAY, JUNE 11 at 10:30 AM.

Music Sunday, June 11. All our ensembles will lead in worship. Join us as we will give thanks for the gift of music, all our musicians, and our Director of Music, Christopher Harlow-Jennings.

**Church Picnic, Sunday, June 11** after the 10:30 AM service. Sign-up in the rear entryway or online to help set up, bring a side dish, salad or dessert to share.

**The Cross Roads Bishops' Cup** will be held on **June 12** at the Copper Hill Country Club in Ringoes, NJ. You can sign up as an individual golfer (\$250) or as a foursome (\$1,000). There are also many opportunities to become a sponsor. See the weekly email to sign up.

**CPR AED Training June 17:** Sign up with Jane Bowman by **TODAY.** 

Summer Worship begins June 18: We will worship at one service at 9:15 AM.

**Sprucing Up Help Needed:** Our property needs some landscaping projects that are in need of funding. Please direct questions to Jane Bowman or give, noting "landscaping" in the memo.

Rummage Sale, July 14 & 15 to support Youth Missions. Donations accepted starting July 9.

**Family Promise and Share My Meals** are partnering to help fight food insecurity by recovering and delivering healthy meals locally. Bristol Myers Squibb will be donating meals from their cafeterias and volunteers are needed to deliver the food to Family Promise. Please see the weekly email to find out how you can support this mission.

We are hiring a Livestream Coordinator for Sunday services from 7:45–Noon, including religious holidays, approximately 5 hours a week. Open to high school and college students with TV production experience. Contact Linda Mesenbrink at 973-202-2773 or Linda.mesenbrink@verizon.net.

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