



*Lord,  
teach us  
to pray*

LUKE 11:1

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**Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**

**July 26 & 27, 2025**

# Welcome to Worship!

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The *worship bulletin* is intended to help guide us through our worship. Sections in **bold** print are for congregation response.

We believe our risen Lord Jesus is truly present in the bread and wine of ***Holy Communion*** and we extend our Lord's invitation to all who are baptized to share in this meal.

Non-communing children and adults are welcome to come forward for a blessing. Please contact an usher if you need ***communed in the pew***.

A ***large print copy*** of our worship service and ***wireless sound enhancers*** are available in the front narthex.



## Seventh Sunday after Pentecost July 26 & 27, 2025

Saturday 5:30pm, Sunday 8:15am (Broadcast, 98.7FM, 107.5FM, 1480AM, 910AM;  
Livestream @[www.trinitylatrobe.com](http://www.trinitylatrobe.com)), Sunday 10:45am

### Service of Holy Communion (ELW Setting 4)

Persistence in prayer is encouraged by Jesus and wins the attention of God. The life of the baptized—to be rooted and built up in Christ Jesus—is to be nurtured with prayer. God hears and answers prayer and so strengthens God's own. "When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me."

*The prelude is a signal to end our conversation and  
prepare our hearts and minds for worship*

## Prelude and Silent Prayer

## Welcome and Announcements

***(at the end of the bell peal, please stand or remain seated as you are comfortable)***

## **GATHERING**

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

### **Confession and Forgiveness**

*(All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.)*

In the name of the Father,  
and of the ✚ Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.  
*(please kneel or remain seated as you are comfortable)*

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.**

*(please stand or remain seated as you are comfortable)*

### **Gathering Hymn**

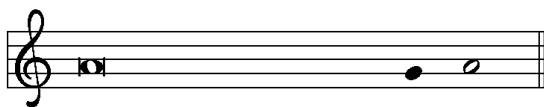
“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

**ELW #742**

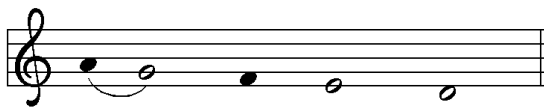
### **Greeting**

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.**

# Kyrie



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



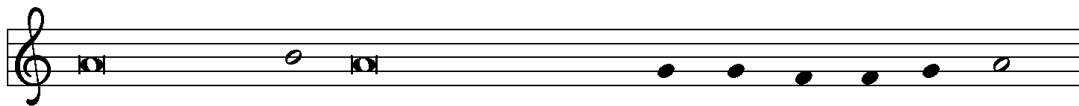
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

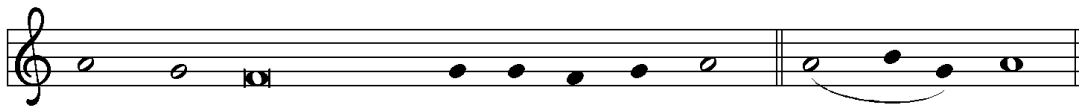


For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.

Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

## Prayer of the Day

Almighty and ever-living God, you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and you gladly give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us your abundant mercy. Forgive us those things that weigh on our conscience, and give us those good things that come only through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

*(please be seated)*

## WORD

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

## Children's Message

### First Reading: Hosea 1:2-10

*Because Luke often presents Jesus as carrying on the ministry of the Old Testament prophets, our first readings during these weeks are from several of those figures. This week we hear a central part of Hosea's preaching – the lovingkindness of God despite Israel's wandering ways. "Lo-ruhamah" means "Not Pitied;" "Lo-ammi" means "Not My People."*

<sup>2</sup> When the LORD first spoke through Hosea, the LORD said to Hosea, "Go, take for yourself a wife of whoredom and have children of whoredom, for the land commits great whoredom by forsaking the LORD." <sup>3</sup> So he went and took Gomer daughter of Diblaim, and she conceived and bore him a son. <sup>4</sup> And the LORD said to him, "Name him Jezreel; for in a little while I will punish the house of Jehu for the blood of Jezreel, and I will put an end to the kingdom of the house of Israel. <sup>5</sup> On that day I will break the bow of Israel in the valley of Jezreel."

<sup>6</sup> She conceived again and bore a daughter. Then the LORD said to him, "Name her Lo-ruhamah, for I will no longer have pity on the house of Israel or forgive them. <sup>7</sup> But I will have pity on the house of Judah, and I will save them by the LORD their God; I will not save them by bow, or by sword, or by war, or by horses, or by horsemen." <sup>8</sup> When she had weaned Lo-ruhamah, she conceived and bore a son.

*(continued)*

<sup>9</sup> Then the LORD said, “Name him Lo-ammi, for you are not my people and I am not your God.” <sup>10</sup> Yet the number of the people of Israel shall be like the sand of the sea, which can be neither measured nor numbered; and in the place where it was said to them, “You are not my people,” it shall be said to them, “Children of the living God.”

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 85 (Leader/Assembly: Spoken)**

*Keying off the end of the first reading (and the heart of Hosea’s preaching), rather than the earlier verses, this psalm proclaims the persistent loving-kindness of God toward the wayward people.*

- <sup>1</sup> You have been gracious to your land, O LORD;  
you have restored the good fortune of Jacob.
- <sup>2</sup> **You have forgiven the iniquity of your people  
and blotted out all their sins.**
- <sup>3</sup> You have withdrawn all your fury  
and turned yourself from your wrathful indignation.
- <sup>4</sup> **Restore us then, O God our Savior;  
let your anger depart from us.**
- <sup>5</sup> Will you be displeased with us forever?  
Will you prolong your anger from age to age?
- <sup>6</sup> **Will you not give us life again,  
that your people may rejoice in you?**
- <sup>7</sup> Show us your steadfast love, O LORD,  
and grant us your salvation.
- <sup>8</sup> **I will listen to what the LORD God is saying;  
for you speak peace to your faithful people and to those who turn their  
hearts to you.**
- <sup>9</sup> Truly, your salvation is very near to those who fear you,  
that your glory may dwell in our land.
- <sup>10</sup> **Steadfast love and faithfulness have met together;  
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.**
- <sup>11</sup> Faithfulness shall spring up from the earth,  
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.
- <sup>12</sup> **The LORD will indeed grant prosperity,  
and our land will yield its increase.**
- <sup>13</sup> Righteousness shall go before the LORD  
and shall prepare for God a pathway.

## Second Reading: Colossians 2:6-19

*There appear to be people telling the Colossians that their salvation is not complete, but rather that they need to receive secret knowledge which only these people know. In response, the apostle affirms the completeness of Christ's work and reconciliation, and assures the Colossians that they are fully united with Christ.*

<sup>6</sup> As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, <sup>7</sup> rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. <sup>8</sup> See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. <sup>9</sup> For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, <sup>10</sup> and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. <sup>11</sup> In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; <sup>12</sup> when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. <sup>13</sup> And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, <sup>14</sup> erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. <sup>15</sup> He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it. <sup>16</sup> Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. <sup>17</sup> These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. <sup>18</sup> Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, dwelling on visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, <sup>19</sup> and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation

*(please stand to welcome the Gospel or remain seated as you are comfortable)*

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

## **Gospel: Luke 11:1-13**

*While the image is not unknown in the Old Testament, Jesus makes the title of Abba central to his teaching about God. The understanding of the disciples' contemporaries was that the father was the source of a child's life; the mother simply provided the place for the fetus to grow and develop. So, calling God "Abba" did not only indicate a loving and guarding relationship, but affirmed that God was the source of the one praying.*

The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 11th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup> [Jesus] was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples."

<sup>2</sup> He said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. <sup>3</sup> Give us each day our daily bread. <sup>4</sup> And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial." <sup>5</sup> And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; <sup>6</sup> for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' <sup>7</sup> And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' <sup>8</sup> I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs. <sup>9</sup> "So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. <sup>10</sup> For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened.

<sup>11</sup> Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? <sup>12</sup> Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? <sup>13</sup> If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

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

*(please be seated)*

**Sermon**

Pastor Jess Felici

**Hymn of the Day** *(please stand or remain seated as you are comfortable)*

"Lord, Teach Us How to Pray Aright"

**ELW #745**



*(at the end of the Baptism, please sing "You Have Put on Christ" to welcome the newly Baptized)*

## Apostles' Creed (Saturday 5:30pm and Sunday 8:15am)

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he 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 of the People *(please kneel or sit as you are comfortable)*

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

## The Peace *(please stand or remain seated as you are comfortable)*

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

*(share God's peace with one another and then be seated)*

## MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

### Gathering of Gifts

*As we move to the time in our worship where we offer our gifts to God's church, a portion of your offering supports fostering ecumenical relationships between the clergy and congregations in our community. This work is done primarily through the pastors' attendance and congregational involvement in the Greater Latrobe Ministerial Association.*



*If you prefer, scan the QR code to give online.  
You may then place a giving card from the pew  
in the offering plate as it passes by.*

### Offertory *(please stand or remain seated as you are comfortable)*

“We Are an Offering”

ELW #692

The musical score is written on four staves in treble clef. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes, with a triplet of eighth notes marked with a '3' above the staff. The lyrics 'We lift our voic-es, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an' are written below the staff. The second staff continues the melody with similar note values and a triplet. The lyrics 'of-fer-ing. Lord, use our voic-es, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our' are written below. The third staff continues the melody, with a triplet of eighth notes. The lyrics 'lives, they are yours: we are an of-fer-ing. All that we have, all that we are,' are written below. The fourth staff concludes the phrase with a final note. The lyrics 'all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.' are written below.

We lift our voic-es, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an  
of-fer-ing. Lord, use our voic-es, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our  
lives, they are yours: we are an of-fer-ing. All that we have, all that we are,  
all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.

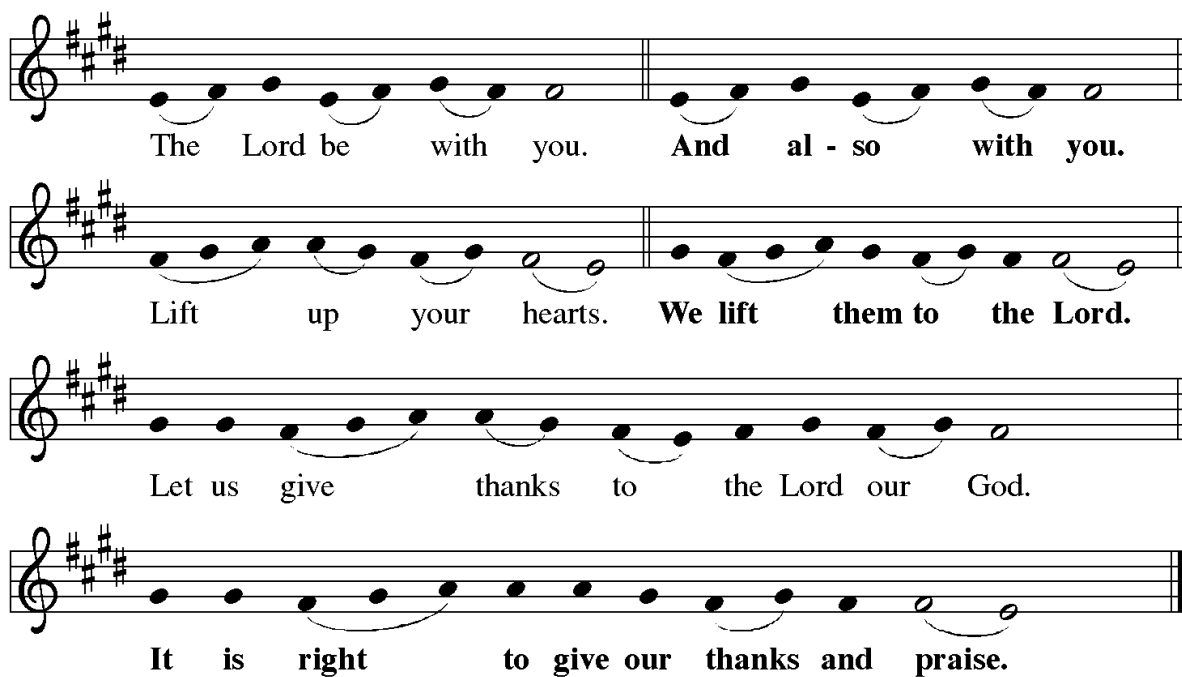
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## Offering Prayer

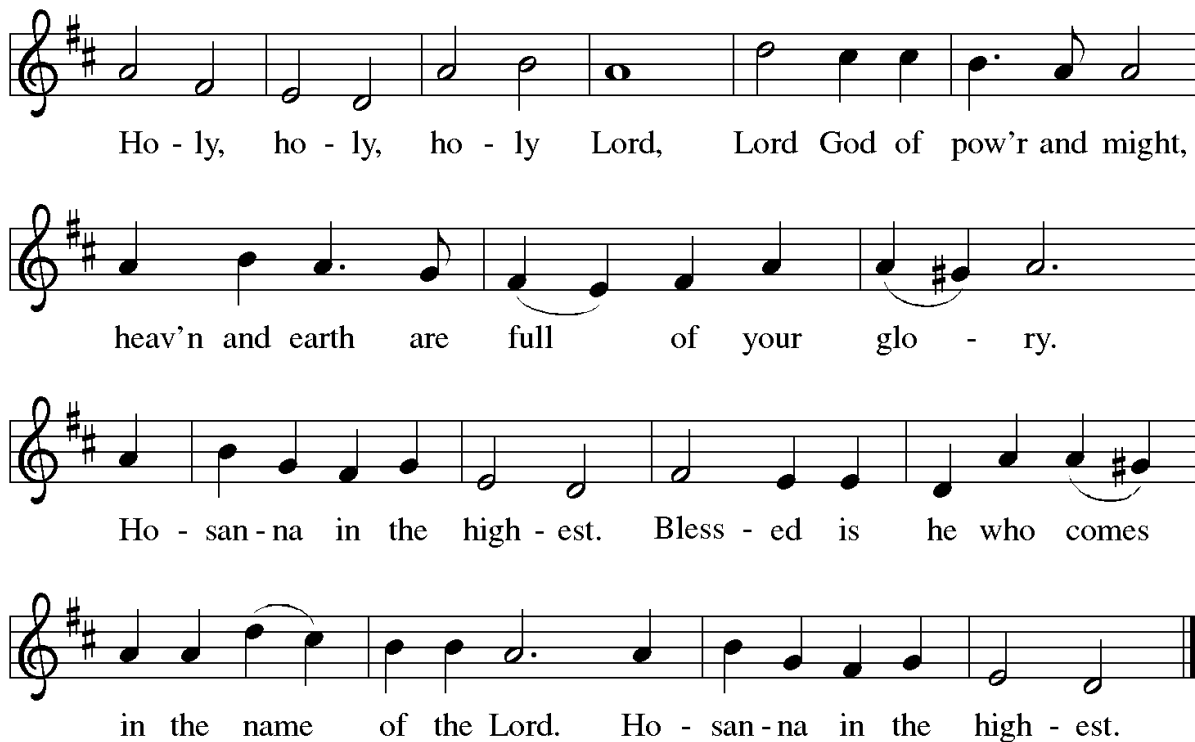
Let us pray. Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.  
Amen.

## Great Thanksgiving



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:

## Holy, Holy, Holy



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.

## Thanksgiving at the Table

Holy God,  
our Maker, Redeemer, and Healer,  
in the harmonious world of your creation,  
the plants and animals, the seas and stars  
were whole and well in your praise.

When sin had scarred the world,  
you sent your Son to heal our ills  
and to form us again into one.

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.

*(continued)*

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 acts of healing,  
his body given up,  
and his victory over death,  
we await that day when all the peoples of the earth  
will come to the river to enjoy the tree of life.

Send your Spirit upon us and this meal:  
as grains scattered on the hillside become one bread,  
so let your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth,  
that all may be fed with the Bread of life, your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours,  
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,  
in your holy Church,  
both now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **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.**

## Invitation to Communion

The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice.

## 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.

*(please be seated)*

## Distribution of Communion

*To receive communion, please come down the center aisle, take a cup from the tray and gather at the altar rail. Receive the bread into your hand. Wine will be poured into your cup. **The communion wine is gluten free. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.** For those unable to receive wine, communion cups with water are available. Leave the altar rail, place your cup on the tray and return to your pew via the side aisles. **If you would like to receive communion in the pew, please contact an usher.** Non-communing children and adults are welcome to come forward for a blessing.*



**Table Blessing** *(please stand or remain seated as you are comfortable)*

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

**Prayer after Communion**

Let us pray. Mothering God, **you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name.**  
**Amen.**

**SENDING**

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

**Blessing**

The love of God abound in you;  
the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts;  
and the life of the Spirit ✝ bless you and give you peace.  
**Amen.**

**Sending Hymn**

“Go, My Children, with My Blessing”

**ELW #543**

**Dismissal**

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**THE BROADCAST THIS WEEKEND** is dedicated to the Glory of God in loving memory of Barbara Planinsek.

**THE FLOWERS THIS WEEKEND** are dedicated to the Glory of God in honor of Kelly Stanko and Sandy Redinger in celebration of their birthdays, given by Wendy Rivard.

**Serving this Weekend**

**Preaching:** Pastor Jess Felici      **Presiding:** Pastor Jason Felici

**Director of Music:** Debbie Morley

**Lectors:** **Saturday 5:30pm:** Linda McDowell

**Sunday 8:15am:** Mary Ann Coulston

**Sunday 10:45am:** Karen Vogle

**Liturgical Deacons:** **Saturday 5:30pm:** Kathy Waldron

**Sunday 8:15am:** Rose McLain

**Sunday 10:45am:** Jane Lawson, Sandy Redinger

**Ushers:** **Saturday 5:30pm:** Kasha & Don Loveridge, Jay Elder, John Elder

**Sunday 8:15am:** Sandy Kisick, Rick Baldonieri, Herb Harris  
Melinda Terney

**Sunday 10:45am:** Jill & Mike Macey, Becky Tomlinson,  
Susan Vargo

**Acolytes:** **Saturday 5:30pm:** Kelly Stanko

**Sunday 8:15am:** Claire Benning, Will Benning

**Sunday 10:45am:**

**Tellers:** **Sunday 8:15am:** Gary Sheppard, Nancy McHenry, Carol McIntyre  
**10:45am:** Jane Lawson, Marcia Salandro, Kathy Sowatskey,  
Tim Potter

**Acolytes Serving Next Weekend August 2 & 3**

**Saturday 5:30pm:** Kelly Stanko

**Sunday 8:15am:** Claire Benning, Will Benning

**Sunday 10:45am:**

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