Day of Pentecost June 8, 2025 9:00 AM



GATHERING

Prelude (a time for silent meditation)

Announcements

Thanksgiving for Baptism

- P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.
- C: Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!
- P: In the name of + the One who was, who is, and who is to come.
- C: Amen.
- P: Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.
- P: 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,
- C: make us one as you are one.
- P: 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,
- C: make us one as you are one.

P: 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.

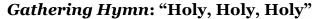
Baptized into you, O Living One,

C: make us one as you are one.

P: 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.

C: Amen.



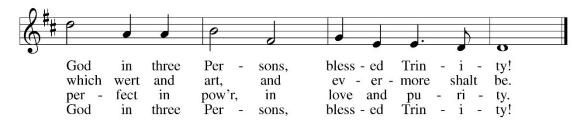
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Ear - 1y in the morn ing our song shall rise to thee. cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass though the eye made blind by sin thy glo - ry may - y sea; glo - ry not see, thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky





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

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: God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth. By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

THE READING OF GOD'S WORD

First Reading: Acts 2:1-21

¹ When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. ² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵ Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³ But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

17 'In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams.

18 Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.

19 And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

20 The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

21 Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

²⁴ How manifold are your works, O LORD!

In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

- ²⁵ Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number, living things both small and great.
- ²⁶ There go the ships to and fro,

and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.

²⁷ All of them look to you

to give them their food in due season.

²⁸ You give it to them; they gather it;

you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

²⁹ When you hide your face, they are terrified;

when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.

³⁰ You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.

31 May the glory of the LORD endure forever;

O LORD, rejoice in all your works.

³² You look at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke.

33 I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;

I will praise my God while I have my being.

³⁴ May these words of mine please God.

I will rejoice in the LORD.

35b Bless the LORD, O my soul.

Hallelujah!

Second Reading: Romans 8:14-17

¹⁴ For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵ For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶ it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷ and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel

P: The Holy Gospel according to John, the 14th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: John 14:8-17 [25-27]

⁸ Philip said to [Jesus,] "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." ⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than

these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

¹⁵ "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

[25 "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. 26 But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. 27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid."]

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

Children's Sermon

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: "You are My God"

You are my God You are my King You are my Master My Everything You are my Lord, That's why I sing to you Hal-le-lu-jah Hal-le-lu-jah

Nicene Creed

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; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. 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.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He 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

Each petition ends with: Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.

Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

The Offering

Please leave your offering on our website: https://secure.myvanco.com/YJ34/home

Offering Prayer

P: Let us pray...

C: 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. Amen.

SACRAMENT

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.

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.

C: 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

Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life.

Distribution

The body of Christ, given to you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Prayer after Communion

P: 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.

C: Amen.

Benediction

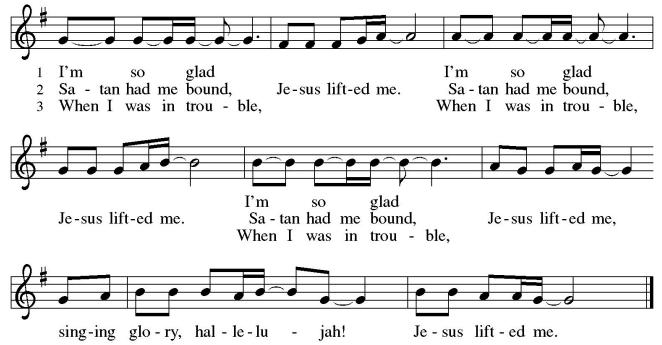
P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

C: Amen.

Sending Hymn: "I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me"

WOV 673



Text: African American spiritual Music: JESUS LIFTED ME, African American spiritual

Dismissal

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

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

C: Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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OUR MISSION - FAITHFUL IN THE WORD

- + To *gather* as God's people and nurture one another
- + To know the Word of God
- + To *grow* in faith, love, and service
- + To go into the world with the Good News of Jesus Christ



SERVING OUR LORD IN WORSHIP TODAY

Pastor The Rev. Matthew E. Ollikainen Music Director Michael Dettra Lay Reader David Elkin Communion Assistant Joyce Heiss Fellowship Time Open

ALTAR FLOWERS

The Altar Flowers are dedicated by:

- ♦ Mike and Kathy Sitler, in loving memory of Kathy's Mom, Margaret Driscoll, and
- † The Wagner Family, in honor of their daughter, Angela's birthday.

MISSION SUPPORT

Mission Support is dedicated to the Glory of God.

LAST SUNDAY'S WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Sunday, June 1 9:00 AM: 31+2 TOTAL: 33

COMMUNION REMINDER

The Worship and Music Committee would like to remind the congregation that those going forward to the altar for communion have a few options. There is gluten-free bread in the small clear glass bowl, and white grape juice for those who prefer. Just let the Pastor or assistant know your preference. Thank you.

THURSDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY VIA ZOOM -THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 7:00 PM

You are invited to a study of the Gospel of Matthew on Thursday nights via Zoom. Pastor will be leading the study, which utilizes the "The Jewish Annotated New Testament" as one of our resources to delve deep into Jesus' times and to better understand this Gospel written to a Jewish-Christian audience.

Join Zoom Meeting: https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/82089110140

Meeting ID: 820 8911 0140

CONTACTING PASTOR MATT

If you need to speak with Pastor Matt when he is not in the office, particularly in the case of a pastoral emergency, please feel free to call his cell at 215-859-3778 or email him at pastormattollikainen@gmail.com.

If he is not available to take your call, leave a message and he will contact you.

GOD SIGHTINGS - INDIVIDUALS AND THEIR SPIRITUAL GIFTS



Beginning Sunday, June 8, the Advent community will begin to assemble a new God Sightings Chain. Please take the time to reflect on how God is seen in your life through actions and/or spiritual gifts that you or someone in your life has done. On the paper chain link, please identify the <u>person</u> (if applicable) and the <u>action/spiritual gift</u> through which God is being seen. For example, "<u>Grandmom taught</u> me how to bake a pie." The person who is displaying God should be underlined and the action or spiritual gift should be underlined twice.

DEDICATIONS FOR SUNDAY SERVICES

Payments for dedications may be made using the marked envelopes by the sign-up charts.

Please place payment in the offering plate or mail payment to the church at

45 Worthington Mill Road, Richboro, PA 18954.

Please write check to Advent Evangelical Lutheran Church and write Altar Flowers or Mission Support in the memo line on your check.

2025 ALTAR FLOWERS CHART

The 2025 Flower Chart to dedicate altar flowers each Sunday is on the table in the narthex. The cost is \$25 per bouquet, and you are welcome to take the flowers home following the late service. You can also call the church office to submit your mission dedication: 215-355-2529

2025 MISSION SUPPORT

The 2025 Mission Support Chart is available for sign up on the table in the narthex. Mission Support Dedication donations benefit our sister church, Iglesia Luterana Nueva Creacion, which does vital work in North Philadelphia. Dedication donations are \$25. You can also call the church office to submit your mission dedication: 215-355-2529.

DONATIONS FOR FELLOWSHIP TIME

Fellowship Time is held Sundays directly following the 9:00 AM service. The sign-up sheet to provide refreshments for Fellowship Time is available in the narthex on the refreshment table. Advent supplies hot beverages and paper products.

If you are looking for a way to assist with Fellowship Time but do not have the time or ability to bake or shop for snacks, please consider donating a few dollars.

The hungry snackers will appreciate it!

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE: NOW THROUGH SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

- * Advent will have a single worship service at 9:00 AM on Sundays through Labor Day, September 7.
- * Services will still be live-streamed and uploaded on YouTube.
- * Both Sunday School and Adult Bible Study will resume in the fall.



DRIVE-IN & DROP-OFF FOOD COLLECTION - WARMINSTER FOOD BANK

If you have food for the Warminster Food Bank and the church is not open, just drive into the parking lot and drop off the food inside the bench outside the front door. You may still bring food into the church narthex during church and office hours. Check their website for the most current needs: www.warminsterfoodbank.org. Thank you for helping our neighbors in need.

NOW AVAILABLE! Large Print Edition of OUR DAILY BREAD



Our Daily Bread devotional is now available in large print at Advent. <u>Please note that the large print edition and the regular edition are on different print schedules and cover different months</u>. The devotionals are also available digitally:

- Download their app at: https://www.odbm.org/about-us/mobile-resources
- Sign up for an email subscription at: https://www.odbm.org/about-us/email-subscription.

If you have any questions or need assistance accessing the devotionals digitally, please contact the church office at 215-355-2529 or adventlutheranrichboro@gmail.com.

PRAYER CHAIN AT ADVENT

The Prayer Chain is a group of volunteers at Advent who pray every day, confidentially, for people added to the Prayer Chain. Names are maintained for one month unless asked to be removed earlier.

To add names to the Prayer Chain:

- * Complete a Prayer Request Card found in the pews of the sanctuary. Please place completed cards in the offering plate, or
- * Submit names by email directly to Linda Weaver at lindaweaver3@comcast.net.

If you would like to be a Prayer Chain volunteer, please contact Linda Weaver to be added to the email list.

RECYCLING CAN TABS FOR RONALD McDonald House Charities

We are collecting can tabs to support the Ronald McDonald House Charities which help alleviate some financial burdens for families along their child's healthcare journey. Last year alone, they helped families save \$736 million in lodging and meal expenses. Tabs can be placed in the marked containers in the narthex, on the shelf above the coat rack. *No cans, please – just tabs!*

MAY FINANCIAL REPORT

Financial Report For Mar	y 2025	
	Rec'vd for May 2025	Budget for May 2025
General Fund	\$8,799.93	\$18,609.00
Mortgage	\$1,929	\$1,898.00
Bene Synod Only	\$117	\$133
Other Benevolence	\$550	
Web Upgrade		
Total	\$11,395.93	\$20,640.00
	Recv'd YTD 1/1-5/31/25	Budget YTD 1/1-5/31/25
General Fund	\$58,816.49	\$93,045.00
Mortgage	\$7,547.00	\$9,490.00
Bene Synod Only	\$352.00	\$665.00
Other Benevolence	\$2,776.00	
Web Upgrade	\$450.00	
Total	\$69,941.49	\$103,200.00

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

ADVENT WOMEN'S CIRCLE MEETING Tuesday, June 10, 12:00 PM – BYO Lunch



Advent Women's Circle meets most months on the 2nd Tuesday at noon. We bring our ideas together to plan various projects that support our church family, as well as outings to refresh and educate our members. If you are interested in attending or for more information, please contact Fran Zanis at 267-847-5098, or the church office at 215-355-2529.

MEN'S BREAKFAST Saturday, June 14, 8:30 AM



Our <u>final</u> men's breakfast of the season will be on Saturday, June 14. Since this is also Flag Day, we will try something red, white and blue in the cuisine. Speaking of cuisine, during the summer, we would again ask the support of church council to help fund another trip to Paris to attend the Cordon Bleu school. Our last trip was most helpful in adjusting our menu plus being a lot of

fun. Breakfast at 8:30, coffee ready by 7:30.

CARING FOR FRIENDS — MEAL ASSEMBLY Sunday, June 15, following the 9:00 AM Service



We invite you to meet in fellowship hall to assemble DINNERS for Caring for Friends! If we have a good number of volunteers to scoop servings of food and put lids on the trays, we can complete a lot in a short amount of time. Frozen meals will then be delivered to Caring for Friends for distribution. We understand that it is Father's Day and if you cannot make this one, that is okay!

If you have any questions, please contact Kevin or Christine Welsh. We hope to see you there!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2025



Monday, July 14 through Thursday, July 17

Plans are set for Vacation Bible School at Advent! Children from **age 4** thru completion of **6th grade** are invited to join the fun on **Monday–Thursday from 9:00 AM–noon** on **July 14-17, 2025**. We'll learn Bible lessons in

summertime style! With everyone joining-in for stories, games, songs and crafts, being with friends will make it great, along with snack time and outdoor play! Please complete the attached registration form and send it to the office by **June 30**. Or, you may request the form by email in Word format and return it by email- or find it on *adventrichboro.org*. Hard copies are also available in the narthex.

THIS WEEK AT ADVENT

	SUNDAY, JUNE 8 Day of Pentecost
9:00 AM	Single Worship Service with Communion
10:00 AM	Fellowship Time: Open
10:30 AM	Church Council Meeting
	Monday, June 9
7:30 PM	A.A. Open Meeting
12:00 PM 6:30 PM	TUESDAY, JUNE 10 Advent Women's Circle Meeting BYO Ping Pong until 8:30 PM
7:00 PM	THURSDAY, JUNE 12 Zoom Bible Study with Pastor Matt
7:30 PM	FRIDAY, JUNE 13 A.A. Step Meeting
8:30 AM	SATURDAY, JUNE 14 Men's Breakfast
	Sunday, June 15 First Sunday after Pentecost Happy Father's Day!
9:00 AM	Single Worship Service with Communion
10:00 AM	Fellowship Time: The Ward Family
10:05 AM	Caring for Friends Meal Assembly
10:30 AM	First Communion Instruction