



FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 6, 2025 at 10am

Saint Luke Lutheran Church & School

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*God is the source of our nourishment. Jesus' invitation to "take and eat . . . take and drink" is a repeated one.
In holy communion, in the word read and proclaimed, in the assembly of the people of God, the
dominion of God has come near. Rejoice! Your name is written in heaven.*

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

Prelude on "SLANE"
Paul Fey (b. 1998)

WELCOME

CONFESSION & 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.

Silence is kept for reflection.

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.

GATHERING HYMN

ELW 576 – We All Are One In Mission



1 We all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call,
 2 We all are called for ser - vice, to wit - ness in God's name.
 3 Now let us be u - nit - ed, and let our song be heard.



our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.
 Our min - is - tries are dif - f'rent; our pur - pose is the same:
 Now let us be a ves - sel for God's re - deem - ing Word.



A sin - gle great com - mis - sion com - pels us from a - bove
 to touch the lives of oth - ers with God's sur - pris - ing grace,
 We all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call,

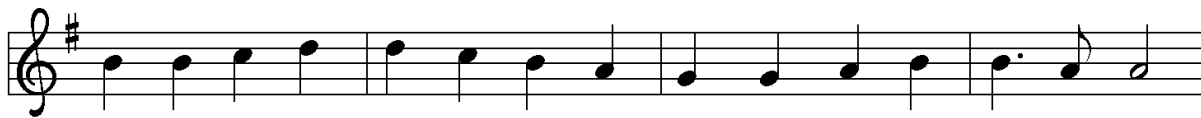


to plan and work to - geth - er that all may know Christ's love.
 so ev - 'ry folk and na - tion may feel God's warm em - brace.
 our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.

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.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus, you are the city that shelters us, the mother who comforts us. With your Spirit accompany us on our life's journey, that we may spread your peace in all the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

THE WORD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 66:10-14

Those who returned from the exile found that the hopes for the glorious restoration of Judah were not completely fulfilled. For these disappointed people, the prophet envisions salvation in the image of a nursing woman. Mother Jerusalem and a mothering God remind the community how they are sustained and supported.

Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her—that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast, that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious bosom. For thus says the Lord: I will extend prosperity to her like a river and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream, and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm and bounced on her knees. As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bodies shall flourish like the grass, and it shall be known that the power of the Lord is with his servants, and his indignation is against his enemies.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALTER

Psalm 66:1-9



- 1 Be joyful in God, all you lands;
be joyful, all the earth.
- 2 Sing the glory of God's name;
sing the glory of God's praise.
- 3 Say to God, ' "How awesome are your deeds!
Because of your great strength ' your enemies cringe before you.
- 4 All the earth bows down before you,
sings to you, ' sings out your name."
- 5 Come now and see the works of God,
how awesome are God's deeds toward all people.
- 6 God turned the sea into dry land, ' so that they went through the water on foot,
and there we rejoiced in God.

(Continued on the next page)



- 7 Ruling forever in might, ' God keeps watch over the nations;
let no rebels exalt themselves.
- *8 Bless our God, you peoples;
let the sound of praise be heard.
- 9 Our God has kept us among the living
and has not allowed our feet to slip.

SECOND READING

Galatians 6:1-16

In the close of his letter to the Galatians, Paul encourages them to live as people made right with God through faith in Jesus Christ. Here Paul offers practical advice about how believers exercise common concern for one other in "the family of faith."

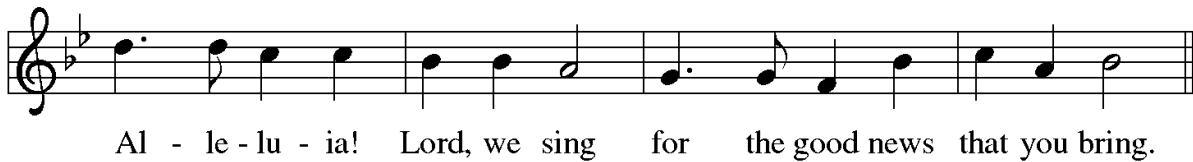
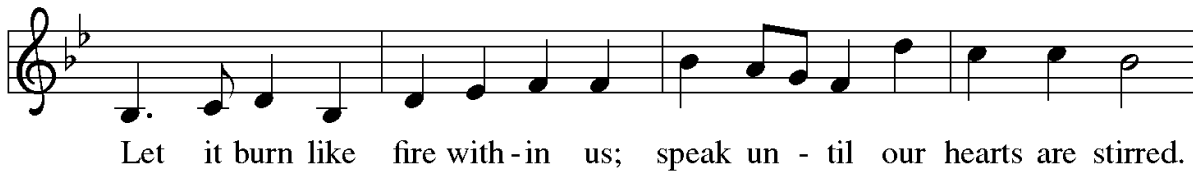
My brothers and sisters, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride. For all must carry their own loads. Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher. Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh, but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all and especially for those of the family of faith. See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh who try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything, but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW Setting Ten



GOSPEL READING

Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

Jesus commissions harvesters and laborers to go where he would go and do what he would do. Risking hardship and danger in exchange for the experience of great joy, they offer peace and healing as signs that the reign of God is near.

The holy gospel according to Saint Luke, the tenth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way; I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' And if a person of peace is there, your peace will rest on that person, but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.' "Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me." The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. Indeed, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

*Following the Sermon, please stand as you are able
for the Hymn of the Day.*

HYMN OF THE DAY

ACS 1000 – God's Work, Our Hands



1 God's work, our hands: work - ing to - geth - er,
2 God's work, our feet: trav - 'ling to - geth - er,
3 God's work, our voice: sing - ing to - geth - er,
4 God is at work in and a - round us:



build - ing a fu - ture, re - pair - ing the world,
fol - low - ing Je - sus to plac - es un - known,
prais - ing, pro - claim - ing to all who will hear,
seed - lings are sprout - ing and bread's on the rise!



rais - ing up homes, plant - ing new gar - dens,
walk - ing as friends, march - ing for free - dom,
pray - ing for peace, shout - ing for jus - tice,
Washed and set free, hum - bled and hon - ored,



feed - ing the hun - gry and shelt - 'ring the cold.
run - ning the race with God's fu - ture the goal.
claim - ing God's love for the lost and the least.
gift - ed by grace, we re - spond in God's love.



Bless, God, our hands as we work in your name,
Bless, God, our feet as we fol - low your way,
Bless, God, our voice as we speak in your name,
Bless, God, our lives as we an - swer your call,



shar - ing the good news of your gos - pel.
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APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

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 INTERCESSION

Drawn into the embrace of the holy Trinity, we lift our prayers for the wholeness of the church, the world, and all creation.

After each portion of the prayers:

God of grace,
hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

Gather all our prayers in your mercy, O God,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
Amen.

PEACE

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

All may share a sign of Peace.

Please be seated.

THE MEAL

OFFERING

We invite you to give your offering online at saintlukegive.us or place it in the offering plate, or use this QR code with your device to securely give your Offering.

You may also mail your checks to:

Saint Luke Lutheran Church
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OFFERTORY MUSIC

Gloria Sanctorum & Larga Manus Brigide
Both Anonymous from the Trinity College MS

*The offering is received and is presented at the altar.
Please stand as you are able.*

OFFERING HYMN

ELW 184 – Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that
we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of
all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble
with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

OFFERING PRAYER

Please stand as you are able.

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

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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, for 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.

LORD'S PRAYER

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

Please pray in your own preferred language.

**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.**

**Padre Nuestro, que estas en los cielos,
santificado sea tu nombre,
venga a nosotros tu reino,
hagase tu voluntad,
asi en la tierra como en el cielo.
Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada dia;
perdona nuestras ofensas,
como nosotros perdonamos
a los que nos ofenden;
y no nos dejes caer en la tentacion,
mas libranos del mal.
Porque tuyo es el reino,
el poder, y la gloria,
por los siglos de los siglos. Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The kingdom of God is set before us.
Come, eat and rejoice.
Thanks be to God.

Please be seated.

COMMUNION

*All are invited to the Lord's table, a table of grace and mercy. There are stations at the foot of the chancel steps.
Please stretch out your hand, palm up, to receive the host, the body of Christ.
(Gluten-free wafers are available; please ask your server)*

Then receive in the individual cup the blood of Christ. You may deposit your cup in the basket near the side wall. Those who wish to receive a blessing instead of the Lord's supper are also encouraged to come forward. Those who wish to receive the sacrament in the pew, please inform an usher. All are welcome to the Lord's table.

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say:

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

The communicant may say: Amen.

AGNUS DEI

SETTING TEN



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

COMMUNION HYMN

ELW 770 – Give Me Jesus

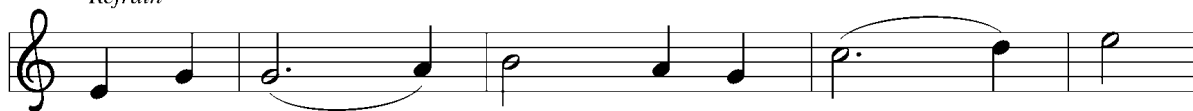


1 In the morn-ing when I rise, in the morn-ing when I rise,
2 Dark . . . mid-night was my cry, dark . . . mid-night was my cry,
3 Just a - bout the break of day, just a - bout the break of day,
4 Oh, . . . when I come to die, oh, . . . when I come to die,
5 And . . . when I want to sing, and . . . when I want to sing,



in the morn - ing when I rise, give me Je - sus.
dark . . . mid - night was my cry, give me Je - sus.
just a - bout the break of day, give me Je - sus.
oh, . . . when I come to die, give me Je - sus.
and . . . when I want to sing, give me Je - sus.

Refrain



Give me Je - sus, give me Je - sus.



You may have all the rest, give me Je - sus.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING


Please stand as you are able.

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

Amen.

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE

SETTING ONE



Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace: your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre-pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: a light to re-veal you to the na - tions and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el. Now, Lord, you let your ser - vant go in peace.

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.

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

ACS 991 – Go To The World



1 Go to the world! Go in - to all the earth.
 2 Go to the world! Go in - to ev - 'ry place.
 3 Go to the world! Go strug - gle, bless, and pray;
 4 "Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,
 Go preach the cross where Christ re - news life's worth,
 Go live the word of God's re - deem - ing grace,
 the nights of tears give way to joy - ous day,
 for I am with you till the age shall end,
 bap - tiz - ing as the sign of our re - birth,
 Go seek God's pres - ence in each time and space.
 As ser - vant church, you fol - low Christ's own way,
 when all the hosts of glo - ry cry, A - men!"

Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.
 Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

SINE NOMINE
 arr. Dr. John Weaver (1937–2021)



WORSHIP LEADERS

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The Rev. Connie A. Miller
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Adam Scott Graham
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Alix Evans, Harp
Offertory Music

Ralph Watkins
Carillon Guild

THE FLOWERS ABOUT THE ALTAR are given to the glory of God by Donna Nelson and Barbara Sanders in celebration of our nation's birthday and the July Fourth wedding anniversaries of Bob and Eleanor Abarno and Greg Sanders and Kate Malloy.

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CHRISTMAS IN JULY
NEXT SUNDAY
JOY TO THE WORLD

JULY 13

10:00 a.m. Worship

Festive Christmas Carols, Creche Scene

Festive Décor, Summer Christmassy Apparel Invited

Christmas hamburgers, Christmas hotdogs – yes! , and More!



LOOKING AHEAD: HOMECOMING SUNDAY

SEPTEMBER 7, 10:00 a.m.

Worship at 10:00 a.m. and then a Festival of Coming Together

Installation of Council, Music, Delicious Food,

and Much More!

CONGRATULATIONS SAINT LUKE COUNCIL 2025-26

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UPCOMING COMMEMORATIONS

Jan Hus, martyr, died 1415

Sunday, July 6, 2025

Hus was a Bohemian (present-day Czech Republic) priest who spoke against abuses in the church, and was seen by Martin Luther as his predecessor in the reforming movement. He was found guilty of heresy by a council of the church, and burned at the stake.

Benedict of Nursia, Abbot of Monte Cassino, died around 540

Friday, July 11, 2025

Benedict is known as the father of the Western monastic movement. Educated in Rome, he went to live as a hermit, and eventually gathered a community of monks around him. He wrote a rule for living in monasteries that is used by Benedictines and adapted by others.

Nathan Söderblom, Bishop of Uppsala, died 1931

Saturday, July 12, 2025

A winner of the Nobel Prize for peace for his efforts to unite peoples after the First World War, Söderblom also called attention to the revival of early church worship principles, and helped to lay the groundwork for the World Council of Churches.

Today's Music:

ELW 576

We All Are One In Mission

Text: Rusty Edwards, b. 1955

Music: Finnish folk tune; arr. hymnal version

Tune: NYLAND

ACS 1000

God's Work, Our Hands

Text: Wayne L. Wold, b. 1954

Music: David N. Johnson, 1922–1987

Tune: EARTH AND ALL STARS

ELW 184

Let The Vineyards Be Fruitful

Music: Music: Ronald A. Nelson, 1927-2014

ELW 770

Give Me Jesus

Text: African American spiritual

Music: African American spiritual; arr.
hymnal version

Tune: GIVE ME JESUS

ACS 991

Go To The World

Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1955–1993

Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958

Tune: SINE NOMINE

Reformation Bells

Tuesdays from 7-9pm

Begins September 2, 2025

Schola Cantorum

Wednesdays from 7:30-9pm

Begins September 3, 2025

RSCM Choristers

Wednesdays from 5:30-7pm

Begins September 3, 2025

SINE NOMINE – Dr. John Weaver

In the concert organ world, there were two names for many years that seemed to get confused; Dr. John Weaver and Dr. John Walker. With names so close, both Presbyterian Organists, both teaching at the Manhattan School of Music, both monumental figures in the 'organ world,' one can see how they would get confused very easily. Weaver also taught at the Curtis Institute of Music and Westminster Choir College. This arrangement of SINE NOMINE was written by Dr. John Weaver for the rededication of the organ at Shadyside Presbyterian Church in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, where his dear friend Dr. John Walker was Minister of Music. Over the years there were many issues copyright issues facing this jazzy and very virtuosic marriage of three different tunes: SINE NOMINE and SARUM, both of which are frequently associated with the hymn text of For All The Saints, and infuses the two with O When The Saints Go Marching In. For quite a few years this piece was performed selectively, the music distributed privately and confidentially for fear of copyright infringement. It was years later that it was determined as a copyright infringement overseas but NOT in America! Our Director of Music, Adam Scott Graham was one of the few able to receive one of the original copies directly from Dr. Weaver. A playful introduction of "SINE NOMINE" begins in the hands, adding in O When The Saints... in the pedals underneath the tune. The next part introduces SARUM to the mix in an almost theatre organ style while bringing back SINE NOMINE on top. The piece concludes with a solo pedal cadenza with 16-note scales and up to 4-note chords alone in the feet, followed by the final introduction again of both SINE NOMINE in the hands and O When The Saints... in the pedal.

THIS WEEK AT SAINT LUKE

SUNDAY, July 6 – Pentecost 4C

8:30am Tech Rehearsal

10:00am Worship (Hybrid)

11:00am Reception

5:00pm Worship

6:00pm Reception

MONDAY, July 7

TUESDAY, July 8

1:30pm Program Staff Meeting

WEDNESDAY, July 9

7:00am Faith Connections (Zoom)

7:30pm AA

THURSDAY, July 10

7:30pm Centering Prayer (Zoom)

FRIDAY, July 11

7:00pm Book & Video Discussion Group

SATURDAY, July 12

9:30am AA

11:00am Al-Anon

SUNDAY, July 13 – Pentecost 5C

8:30am Tech Rehearsal

**10:00am Christmas in July Worship
(Hybrid)**

11:00am Summer Celebration