

Seventh Sunday In Easter

Evangelical Lutheran Church New Berlin, PA

JUNE 1, 2025



Messiah Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Welcome to worship

WE'RE GLAD THAT YOU ARE HERE!

Navigating Worship

Congregational responses are written in bold.

* indicates to stand as you are able

AED Available Downstairs In case of an emergency, an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) is located in the stair tower on the first floor.

Nursery

The nursery is available downstairs-please wipe down toys used.

Streaming Video

We extend our worship from our building into our community on Facebook, and YouTube. The front two pews and chancel are visible on the video.

Today's Worship Leaders:

Presiding:	Pastor Katy Moran
Greeter/s:	The Mitchell Family
Lector:	John Showers
Acolytes:	Ava and Emma Mitchell
Cantor/s:	Ronald and Frances Blatchley
Music Dir:	Frank Shue
Video Operator:	Philip Heggenstaller
Communion Set Up:	Mim Keister and Loren Bachorski
Communion Baker:	Mim Keister
Altar Flowers:	

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Φ Gathering Φ

WELCOME AND WORSHIP NOTES

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

*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

In the name of + the One

who was, who is, and who is to come.

Amen.

Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Water may be poured before or during the thanksgiving.

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, make us one as you are one. 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, make us one as you are one. 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, make us one as you are one. 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. Amen.

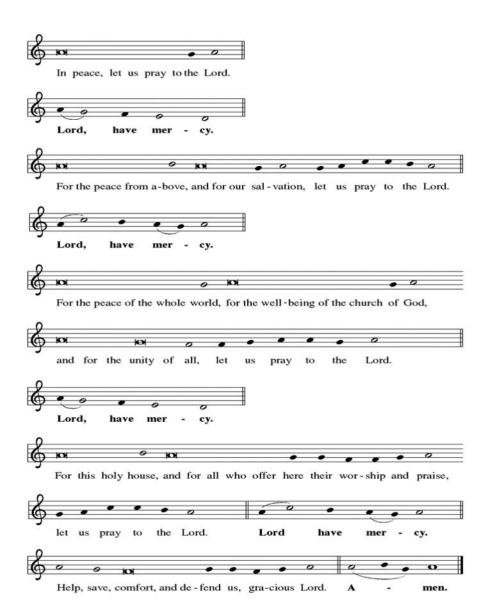
*GATHERING SONG

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SON OF GOD, ETERNAL SAVIOR

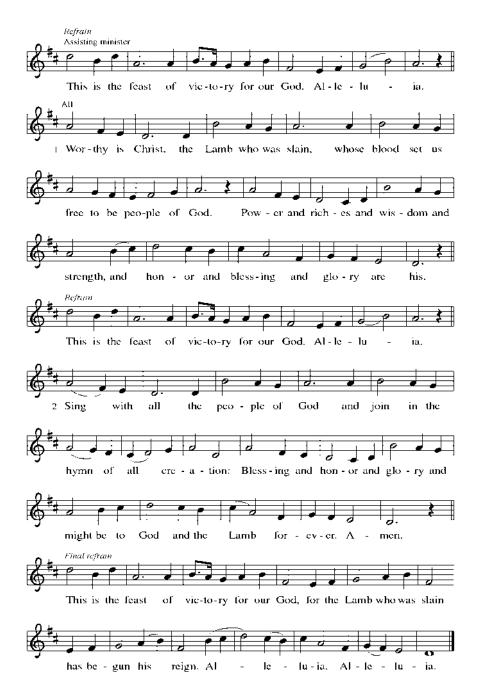
*GREETING

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.**



The Lord be with you. And also with you.

*CANTICLE OF PRAISE



*PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

FIRST READING

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ACTS 16:16-34

¹⁶ One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. ¹⁷ While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." ¹⁸ She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

¹⁹ But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. ²⁰ When her owners had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These two are disturbing our city; they are Jewish ²¹ and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." ²² The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. ²³ After they had given Paul and Silas a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. ²⁴ Following these instructions, the jailer put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

²⁵ About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. ²⁶ Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. ²⁷ When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. ²⁸ But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." ²⁹ The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. ³⁰ Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" ³¹ They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." ³² Paul and Silas spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. ³³ At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. ³⁴ He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

Word of God, Word of Life **Thanks be to God.**

Refrain (sung twice at the beginning and once at the end)



¹The LORD reigns; let the ¹ earth rejoice;

let the multitude of the ¹ isles be glad.

² Clouds and darkness sur-¹ round the LORD,

righteousness and justice are the foundations $^{\rm l}$ of God's throne.

³ Fire goes be-¹ fore the LORD,

burning up enemies on ¹ every side.

⁴ Lightnings light ¹ up the world; the earth ¹ sees and trembles.

⁵ The mountains ¹ melt like wax before the Lord of ¹ all the earth.

⁶ The heavens declare your righteous-¹ ness, O LORD, and all the peoples ¹ see your glory.

⁷ Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight ¹ in false gods!

Bow down before the LORD, ¹ all you gods.

⁸ Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Ju-¹ dah rejoice, because of your judg-¹ ments, O LORD.

 $^{\circ}$ For you are the LORD, most high over 1 all the earth;

- you are exalted far a-¹ bove all gods.
- ¹⁰ You who love the ¹ LORD, hate evil!

God guards the lives of the saints and rescues them from the hand $^{\rm I}$ of the wicked.

- ¹¹ Light dawns ¹ for the righteous, and joy for the hon-¹ est of heart.
- ¹² Rejoice in the ¹ LORD, you righteous, and give thanks to God's ¹ holy name. R (Repeat Refrain)

SECOND READING

REVELATION 22:12-14,16-17,20-21

¹² "See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. ¹³ I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."

¹⁴ Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates.

¹⁶ "It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."

¹⁷ The Spirit and the bride say, "Come."

And let everyone who hears say, "Come."

And let everyone who is thirsty come.

Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

²⁰ The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon."

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

²¹ The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**



*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Gospel

The holy gospel according to St. Luke **Glory to you, O Lord**.

⁴⁴ [Jesus said,] "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled."⁴⁵ Then Jesus opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶ and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷ and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹ And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."

⁵⁰ Then Jesus led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. ⁵¹ While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. ⁵² And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; ⁵³ and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

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

 HOMILY
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 *Hymn Of The Day

Pastor Katy Moran # 579

Lord, You Give The Great Commission

*Apostle's Creed

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 and 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 to 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

God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence

Welcoming God, you invite all people to come and encounter your love. Give your church open hearts and minds to embrace all who seek your presence. Increase the capacity for cooperation between denominations and congregations. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Creating God, your might is seen in storms and in silence. Where drought threatens, bring rain. Where waters flood, ease them back. Where fire, earthquake, hurricane, or tornado destroy, shelter your people and restore your land. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Discerning God, fill the hearts of leaders with your passion for justice and mercy. Call the nations of this world to tables of peace and collaboration. Encourage governments to seek avenues of collective benefit and joy. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great**.

Abiding God, all people are held in your care. Accompany survivors of abuse, trauma, and exploitation. Strengthen our resolve to listen and advocate on behalf of all who are unnoticed. Hear our prayers for those close to our heart. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Rejoicing God, be with this congregation as summer begins in the northern hemisphere. Keep travelers safe. Keep the vulnerable cool. Invigorate summer ministry efforts in our community, and support the well-being of children and young people. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Loving God, the beginning and the end, you are with us throughout our lives. In gratitude for the saints who have died. We look toward your coming again among us. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior. **Amen.**

*PEACE

Feel free to shake hands during Sharing of the Peace

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

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OFFERING

An offering is collected in the plates located in the narthex and by the elevator. You may give electronically at http://newberlinlutherans.com/give.

CHANCEL CHOIR

PRECIOUS LORD, TAKE MY HAND

WRITTEN BY THOMAS DORSEY

*Offertory

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WE ARE AN OFFERING

*OFFERING PRAYER

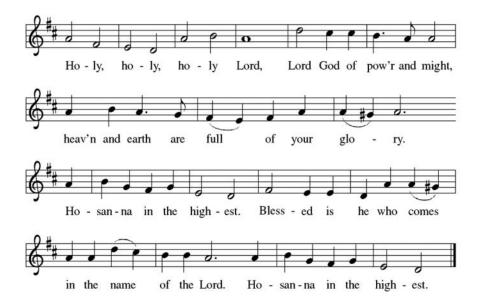
Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world.

Amen.

*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, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign. You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory.

We praise you for the grace shown to your people in every age: the promise to Israel,

the rescue from Egypt,

the gift of the promised land,

the words of the prophets;

and, at this end of all the ages, the gift of your Son, who proclaimed the good news in word and deed and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us. And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we who share in Christ's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, we are bold to 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.

*COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

Both sides process forward simultaneously by the center aisle. At the front pew are empty cups for wine. The cups that are filled are grape juice. The Common Cup is also available.



COMMUNION SONGS

We Walk By Faith	# 635
Jesus Calls Us O'er The Tumult	# 696

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Please stand as you are able.

Let us pray.

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.

Amen.

Ф Sending Ф

*Blessing

The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always. **Amen.**

*Sending Song

On What Has Been Sown

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*DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen. Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia! Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia! Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

We hear "On What has been Sown" as we go forth to

LIVE GOD'S GRACE; SHARE CHRIST'S LOVE; SERVE THE LORD

All are invited for coffee, snacks, and fellowship in the parish hall.



Next Sunday, June 8th

Day Of Pentecost

TODAY is the last day to donate money towards the purchase of flowers for Pentecost. You can find Memorial forms in the Narthex. Fill one out for each person you want to honor or remember and place cash or a check made out to Messiah Lutheran Church, in the offering plate in an envelope marked Pentecost Flowers. The amount you donate is up to you. We will not be ordering from a nursery. Instead, a few ladies in the church will purchase annuals.

Wanna help plant? I'm sure your help would be greatly appreciated as you know the old saying, "Many hands make light work".

Fellowship After The Service

Join us for fellowship every Sunday after the Worship Service.

June 8 June 15 June 22 June 29 Loren Bachorski and Mim Keister Ronald and Frances Blatchley Betty Holllenbach and Kay Trick Emily Moyer and Barb Hackenburg



Personal Care Kits

Thanks to all of you who have already made donations to fill Personal Care Kits for Lutheran World Relief. You didn't think you were now off the hook, did ya? Generous People! There is still need and I know you will rise to the occasion. Still needed are:

57 lightweight and in a dark color bath towels11 toothbrushes46 nail clippers (Please take the clippers out of the original packaging)100 4 oz bars of soapRibbon (for hair and to use to tie up kits)



Tour of Community Aid

Don't forget this Tuesday @ 9:15 we have the privileged of getting a behind the scenes tour of Community Aid. Afterwards, they will set up a table for us to display our Lutheran World Relief Kits. And since you'll all be out in Selinsgrove, I'm thinking many of the ladies will want to go out to lunch. Who knows, my personal favorite, Texas Roadhouse might be open! Sounds like a fun outing with your church besties. Don't miss out!

Volunteers Needed to fill Candles with Oil. Training is Available Any Questions? See Tom Milbrand This can be done anytime prior to the service.

Theology On Tap

Join us Wednesday evening, June 11 and June 25 at 6:00pm, for Theology on Tap at The Rusty Rail in Mifflinburg. The gathering is sponsored by United in Christ Lutheran Church (West Milton), but members from Christ Evangelical of Lewisburg and Milton Lutheran Church are also likely to be in attendance.

We gather in the back room. It is Dutch Treat with each person paying for their own beverage and dinner. Bible or church questions are placed in a jar and drawn throughout the evening for the clergy in attendance to take a stab at answering. It's a Bible study with your favorite beverage on the side.

If you need a ride call John Showers at 570-713-4270. It is a great evening of fellowship and a good way to meet fellow Lutherans in the valley.



A Marianne's Fundraiser To benefit Camp Mt. Luther's Building Project

Orders for pizzas and subs will be collected May 18 thru June 16th. All orders and payment due to Kathleen Ferster by June 16. The price is unbelievably reasonable at just \$10.00 per item ordered. Subs and Pizzas will be available for pick up in our Fellowship Hall on June 26 from 11:00-12:00. If you want to impress your co-workers, buy a tray of subs and have lunch together. Order subs for dinner one night and pizza for the next night! That's two nights you don't have to cook! All for a good cause! Worship Leaders for Sunday, June 8, 2025 Presiding: **Beverly Hoffman** Mim Keister Greeter/s: Lector: Tom Milbrand Acolytes: Emma Mitchell and JR Erdley Cantor/s: JR Erdley Music Dir: Frank Shue Video Operator: Kay Trick Communion Set Up: Mim Keister and Loren Bachorski Communion Baker: Mim Keister Altar Flowers: Steve and Linda Resseguie

Last Week 5/25/25

Attendance: 22

Giving: \$1182.00

Have a prayer request?

Fill out the yellow Prayer Request card and drop it in the offering plate or put it in the secretary's mailbox.

Need immediate prayers? Contact Tom Milbrand (272-305-0058), Diane Walter (570-966-0333), or Frances Blatchley (570-966-0288) to have prayers shared on the prayer chain.

Please remember to give Christine Rowe an update on the status of those on our prayer list.

Remember to fill out at least one Communion card each year.

Can't make it to church in-person?

Attend remotely on Facebook, YouTube and the phone. To listen in on the phone, call 570-989-8899.

In our **pr**ayers

Healing, wholeness, and encouragement

Long Term

Alicia Saxon, Noah Navickas, Matthew Myers, Steve Boonie, Lori Haines, Jeffrey Ames, Oliver Auman, Aimee Erdley, Bev Fausey, Christine Koons, Darrell O'Bryant, Robert "Butch" Hestor, Betty Reber, Michael Callahan, Angela Golfieri, Todd Miller, John Hollenbach, Eric Brosious, Kay Fleming, Taryn Myers, Brantley Herman, Timothy Shomper, Jane Ohlidia, Weston Treas, Trudy Livingston, Mick Hauck, Lark Springer, Logan Roush, Katelyn Mattison, Tena Decker-Norman, Mary Hoover, Laurie Thomas, John Wagner, Beth Ann Troutman, George Hauck, Sandy Raymond, Kathy Spangler, Dianne Bailor, Doug Aikey, Loretta Weatherill, Melissa Boonie, Adam Guzenski, Julia Hauck, Ellie Crane, Jami and Dylan Crane, Tracy Sassaman, Paul Burkholder, Sue Ulrich, Charlie Stabler, Shawna St. Claire, Stanley St. Claire, Larry St. Claire, Daytona Wentzel, Tim Walsh, Ted Kolvich, Ron Trick, Cameron Osgood, June Bingaman, Michelle (Pam Erdley's friend), Grant Snyder, Robert Sauers

Short Term

Mary Wagner, Ken Walter, Carole Jacka, Deb Wetzel, Clay Powel, Diane Walter, Logan Hollenbach, Randy Rim Fultz, Mary Lou Shoop

Providence and Protection for first responders and military service men and women Stanley Miller, Benjamin Pilko

Companionship, Prayer and Support for our Homebound Carol McJilton, Valda Sassaman, Julia Fetter, Mick and Mary Hauck, Nancy Hummel, Carole Jacka

Comfort for those who Grieve

For the family and friends of Dick Devitt, Bill Roush, Ralph "Zip" Geiswite Jr., Harold Spangler,

This Week

Today, Sunday, June 1 12:30 pm Service of Holy Communion Children's Church

Tues., June 3

9:15 am Behind the Scenes Tour of Community Aid

Sunday, June 8

9 am Service of Holy Communion Fellowship

READINGS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

Psalm for Monday-Wednesday is Psalm 29

Mon.	June 2	Exodus 40:16-38	Acts 16:35-40
Tues.	June 3	2 Chronicles 5:2-14	Acts 26:19-29
Wed.	June 4	Ezekiel 3:12-21	Luke 9:18-27

Psalm for Thursday-Saturday is Psalm 104:24-35

Thurs.	June 5	Isaiah 32:11-17	Galatians 5:16-25
Fri.	June 6	Isaiah 44:1-4	Galatians 6:7-10
Sat.	June 7	2 Kings 2:1-15	Luke 1:5-17
Sunday	r, June 8	Acts 2:1-21 Psalm 104:24-35 Romans 8:14-17 John 14:8-17	