

*Evangelical Lutheran Church of Durham*

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July 23, 2017 - 10:00 AM - Sundays after Pentecost

ELW Service of the Word

Prelude

Welcome

\* Confession and Forgiveness

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, full of compassion and mercy, abounding in steadfast love.

**C: Amen.**

L: Trusting God’s promise of Forgiveness, let us confess our sin against God and one another.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination*

L: Eternal God our creator,

**C: In you we live and move and have our being. Look upon us, your children, the work of your hands. Forgive us all our offenses, and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty desires. By your grace draw us near to you, our refuge and our strength; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

L: Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit given to us. In the mercy of almighty God, Christ died for us while we still were sinners; and for his sake, God † forgives you all your sins.

**C: Amen.**

\* Gathering Song . . . . . *“Sing to the Lord”* . . . . . **ELW #694**

\* Greeting . . . . . ELW page 213

\* Prayer of the Day (*lay worship assistant*) . . . . . TR

First Reading . . . . . **Isaiah 44:6-8** . . . . . TR

**Psalms 86:11-17** (*read responsively*) . . . . . TR

Second Reading . . . . . **Romans 8:12-25** . . . . . TR

\* Gospel Acclamation . . . . . *“Alleluia”* . . . . . ELW p. 216

\* Gospel . . . . . **Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43** . . . . . TR

Children’s Sermon

Sermon - Reverend Raymond A. Miller

\* Hymn of the Day *“Come, Ye Thankful People”* **ELW # 693**

\* Apostles’ Creed . . . . . ELW p. 217

\* Prayers of Intercession Each prayer ends with these words:

P: Lord, in your mercy, **C: Hear our prayer.**

\* Sharing of the Peace . . . . . ELW page 218

Offering

Special Music

\* Offertory Song . . . . . *“We Are an Offering”* . . . . . **ELW #692**

\* The Lord’s Prayer . . . . . ELW page 221

Mission Announcements

\* Blessing (*pastor*) . . . . . ELW page 221

\* Sending Song . . . . . *“Spread, Oh, Spread”* . . . . . **ELW #663**

Dismissal P: Go in peace. The Spirit sends us forth to serve.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

*The Asterisk (\*) indicates to please stand if you are able; ELW is the red “Evangelical Lutheran Worship” in the pew rack. TR is the Today’s Readings insert found in your Bulletin.*

**WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP WITH US TODAY.**

*If you would like more information about this community of faith, please speak to Pastor Deal.*

**Altar flowers today** are presented by Beth and Luke Snyder in honor of their anniversary.

**Lemonade on the Lawn** this morning is hosted by Helen Dungan.

**A Memorial Service for Mary Dungan** will be held on Saturday, August 12 at 11 AM here at Evangelical Lutheran Church of Durham. Calling hours will be from 10 to 11 AM. Food & Fellowship to follow at the Riegelsville Firehouse.

## Serving in our worship this morning:

Guest Preacher: The Rev. Raymond A. Miller (*Former pastor,  
St. John Lutheran Church in Quakertown, and former Secretary, SEPA Synod*)

Acolyte . . . . . Samantha Mueller

Lay Worship Assistant . . . . . Linda Sauter

Greeter . . . . . Linda Sauter

Head Usher . . . . . Tom Gaun

Altar Guild . . . . . Miriam Anderson, Dot Peterman

Counters . . . . . Mark Harwick and Serena Ashmore

Organist/Choir Director . . . . . Carolyn Williams

Parish Secretary . . . . . Ann Wong

Custodian . . . . . Dianna Streletz

Attendance for 7/16/17 Christian Ed: 8; Worship: 55.

## Calendar

**Lemonade on the Lawn** - after worship each Sunday. Sign up to host if you can - sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

**Summer Small Group** - Special "Reformation 500" theme, meets from 9:00 to 9:45 each Sunday morning before worship.

**Saturday, August 5 - Red Cross BLOOD DRIVE in memory of Nancy Fox.** 9 AM - 2 PM at the Springtown Rod and Gun Club. Call Norma Fox (215-421-8553) or 1-800-733-2767 for an appointment, or visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and enter sponsor code: "in memory of."

**Sunday, August 27** at 10 AM - Annual Backpack Blessing - Kids, bring your backpack to worship. You and your parents will be given something very special.

**September 10, 2017** - ELCA Day of Service - Fall Schedule begins - (Worship at 10:30 AM) - Picnic after worship. Welcome new baptisms and new members.

**Coming in the Fall** - The first 3 Sundays in October - "Mission Assessment Profile" - a survey for everyone to take to guide us in our mission. Watch for more details.