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Next Sunday

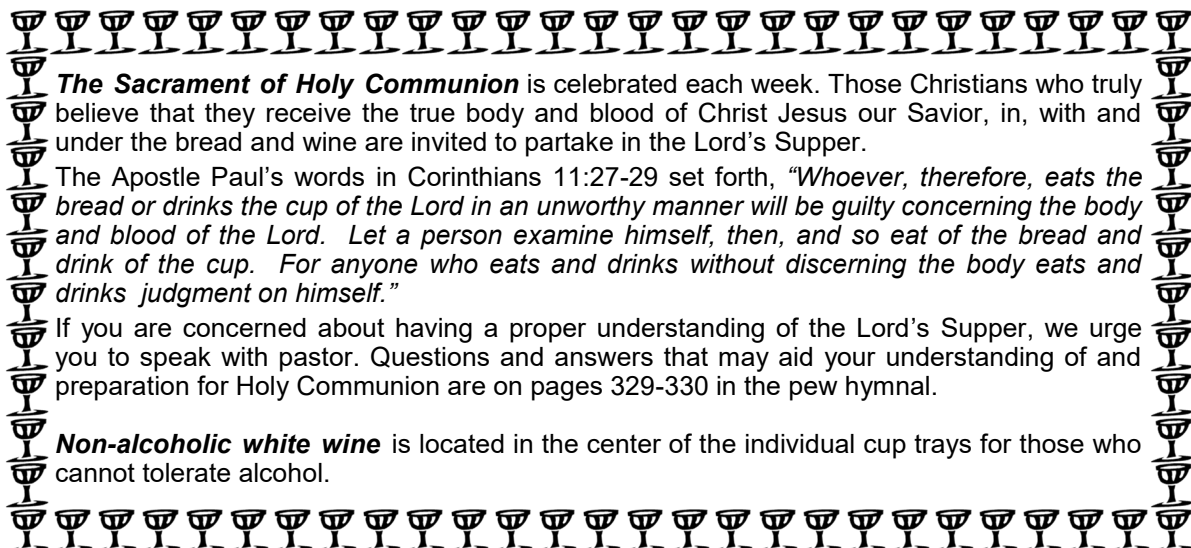
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The Second Sunday after Pentecost

June 6, 2021

Welcome to God's house! Please allow us to keep in touch with you by signing the register in the foyer/narthex. Thank you!

Altar Flowers are placed today to the glory of God in memory of Connie Oswald's husband, Curtis Oswald.



The Sacrament of Holy Communion is celebrated each week. Those Christians who truly believe that they receive the true body and blood of Christ Jesus our Savior, in, with and under the bread and wine are invited to partake in the Lord's Supper.

The Apostle Paul's words in Corinthians 11:27-29 set forth, *"Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself."*

If you are concerned about having a proper understanding of the Lord's Supper, we urge you to speak with pastor. Questions and answers that may aid your understanding of and preparation for Holy Communion are on pages 329-330 in the pew hymnal.

Non-alcoholic white wine is located in the center of the individual cup trays for those who cannot tolerate alcohol.

This Week at Grace

Today	9:00 am Worship Coffee & biscuits to follow	Saturday Sunday	5:00 p.m. Thibodaux Worship 9:00 a.m. Worship Coffee and baked goods to follow
Tuesday	1:00 p.m. Bible Study 3:00 p.m. Altar Guild meeting		10:45 a.m. Sunday School for all ages
Wednesday	6:00 p.m. Potluck Fellowship 6:45 p.m. Prayer & Praise		

For the week June 6 - 12, 2021

	Birthdays	Baptismal Anniversaries
June 11	Brandy Lirette Victoria Shroyer	June 7 Donald Greene 10 Mari Tabor
13	Kara Trahan Zhain Shroyer	11 John Hassell

In the palm of God's Hands...

HEALTH CONCERNS: Billy Palmer, Charles Beasley, Julie Damen, Marabelle Leggett, Margret Cuccia, Mary Deane, Virginia Cunningham

BATTLING CANCER: Cindy Gorham, Jay Cruse, John Adams, Nan Ashley Hebert & Penny Emling

CHRONIC CONDITIONS & ELDERLY: Bobby Torbert, Brian Hoover, Camile Adams, Cindy Deane, Connie Oswald, Edna Marie Sevin, Helen Hoover, Jackie Webb, Kim Cape, Lisa Ledet, Richard LaCour & Sue Ackett

MOURNING A LOSS: the families of Barbara Reaves, Jan Crawford, Jo Lowman, Ken Broussard, Landon Eschete, Mary Joe Mueller, Miriam Mix, Tammie Hahn & Wayne Jackson.

NEW & EXPECTING MOTHERS: Amye Jakob & Stephen Carl Jakob, Jacey Corbitt & baby Corbitt, Kara Trahan & baby Trahan and Lori Prugh & baby Prugh.

SERVING IN OUR ARMED FORCES & THEIR FAMILY: Andrew Winn, Gage V. Romano, Haily Crawford, Heather Darce, Jack Hansen, Kyle Turcott, Leo Lampinen, Matthew Spolarich, Natalie Turcott, Nigel Koorie, Todd Mueller, Tom Hemminger, Victoria Shroyer & Zhain Shroyer

COLLEGE STUDENTS: Adriana Vitano, Alec Cunningham, Allen Trahan, Annie Reaves, Armand Erhart, Blayne Barras, Brandon Cinnater, Brooks Thomas, Emma Thomas, Donovan Domangue, Fielden Baker, Gabbie Corbitt, Hannah Cuneo, Harleigh Dahl, Isabella Appenzeller, Jared Moise, Karly Kyzar, Lauren Boudreaux, Madeleine Boudreaux, Peyton Kraus, Riley Andrews, Ross Reaves, Sophia Miller & Victoria Thalheim

Stewardship News

Attendance last Sunday: 30

Last Sunday GF Offerings: \$2,5760.00

Weekly 2021 Budget: \$3,019.53

GF offerings YTD: \$79,994.00

2021 Budget YTD: \$66,429.66

Grace's Mission

*Building one body in Christ through Worship, Witness,
Stewardship, Service, Love, Teaching, and Fellowship*

LORD'S PRAYER *Matthew 6:9–13*

People: 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.

BENEDICTION *Numbers 6:24–26*

Leader: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.
People: Amen.

DISMISSAL

Leader: Go in peace! Serve the Lord!
People: Thanks be to God.

HYMN "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" LSB #805

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2021

Our Rainforest Explorers VBS will take off July 25th through July 29th. We are looking for volunteers. The next planning meeting will be on June 13th at noon. The sign up sheets for children on the table in the narthex. Contact Lisa Giroir at 337-501-0234 for more information.

BUILDING SECURITY & STEWARDSHIP

If you're among the last to leave the church building at any time, please be sure **all** doors are locked **and** closed completely. Also, please make sure all thermostats are returned to vacant-building settings.

*The goal of Bible study is
not just learning but living.*

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

HYMN "Rise! To Arms! With Prayer Employ You" LSB #668

Stand

INVOCATION

Leader: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
People: Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Leader: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
People: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

Silence for self-examination.

Leader: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
People: I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.

Leader: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Amen.

† WORD †

INTROIT *Psalm 28:7–9; antiphon: v. 6*

Leader: Blessèd be the Lord!
People: For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.
Leader: The Lord is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped;
People: my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him.
Leader: The Lord is the strength of his people;
People: he is the saving refuge of his anointed.
Leader: Oh, save your people and bless your heritage!
People: Be their shepherd and carry them forever.
Leader: Glory be to the Father and to the Son
People: and to the Holy Spirit;
Leader: as it was in the beginning,
People: is now, and will be forever. Amen.
Leader: Blessèd be the Lord!
People: For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.

KYRIE

Leader : Lord, have mercy upon us.
People: **Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

HYMN OF PRAISE *(p. 234 in best of the best song book)*

**We bring the sacrifice of praise
Into the house of the Lord;
We bring the sacrifice of praise
Into the house of the Lord.
And we offer up to You
The sacrifices of thanksgiving;
And we offer up to You
The sacrifices of joy.**

SALUTATION

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Leader: Let us pray.
People: **Almighty and eternal God, Your Son, Jesus, triumphed over the prince of demons and freed us from bondage to sin. Help us to stand firm against every assault of Satan, and enable us always to do Your will; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Genesis 3:8–15*

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM *Psalms 130; antiphon: v. 7*

Leader: O Israel, hope in the LORD!
For with the LORD there is steadfast love,
and with Him is plentiful redemption.

*Left side: Out of the depths
I cry to You, O LORD!
O Lord, hear my voice!
Let Your ears be attentive
to the voice of my pleas for mercy!*

day. Use the absence of the Lord's Supper here this Sunday to stir up in us a hunger for your righteousness delivered in that sacred feast, that we would always fervently desire the forgiveness of sins therein. Please protect and guide us that we may penitently gather together before your table soon in this life, and then forever in your presence as we celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in Your kingdom without end.

People: **Amen.**

HYMN OF THE ABSENT SACRAMENT

"In Babylon We Weep" (Tune LSB #610)

Note: This hymn was written by Pastor Alan Kornacki during the pandemic when he could not provide the Sacrament in the Divine Service.

**In Babylon we weep.
Your house is dark and still.
Our woe in exile, Lord, is deep,
Our grief, a bitter pill.**

**Your people stand apart,
Dispersed by earthly care.
The devil aims his fiery dart
Of doubt and deep despair.**

**We hunger to be fed
As You have bid us do:
To dine upon the living Bread
And sing Your praise anew.**

**Until that happy day
When saints may reunite,
Sustain us with Your holy Word
To guide us through this night.**

**And as our hunger grows,
As we desire the Feast,
Fill us with grace which ever flows
For greatest and for least.**

**We beg, O Christ: with haste
Let blood-bought mercy shine
Until the day we joy to taste
Of You in bread and wine.**

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Leader: All these things we would ask of You, O Lord, trusting in Your mercy to grant us only what is best for us. Give us faith, trusting in Your mercy, that we may abide in Your presence in peace, in the name of our Savior Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

Sit

HYMN "We Praise You, O God" LSB #785

CATECHISM STUDY IN THE ABSENCE OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Leader: What is the Sacrament of the Altar?

People: **It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ Himself for us Christians to eat and to drink.**

Leader: Where is this written?

People: **The holy Evangelists Matthew, Mark, Luke, and St. Paul write: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me. In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."**

Leader: What is the benefit of this eating and drinking?

People: **These words, "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins," show us that in the Sacrament forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation are given us through these words. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation.**

Leader: How can bodily eating and drinking do such great things?

People: **Certainly not just eating and drinking do these things, but the words written here: "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins." These words, along with the bodily eating and drinking, are the main thing in the Sacrament. Whoever believes these words has exactly what they say: "forgiveness of sins."**

Leader: Who receives this sacrament worthily?

People: **Fasting and bodily preparation are certainly fine outward training. But that person is truly worthy and well prepared who has faith in these words: "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins." But anyone who does not believe these words or doubts them is unworthy and unprepared, for the words "for you" require all hearts to believe.**

Stand

PRAYER

Leader: Let us pray.

Blessed Jesus Christ, we know that you are bodily present in churches around the world this day in your very body and blood in the Sacrament of the Altar. We thank you that you have been present with us in your Word and Spirit here this

Right side: **If You, O LORD, should mark iniquities,
O Lord, who could stand?
But with You there is forgiveness,
that You may be feared.**

People: **I wait for the LORD, my soul waits,
and in His word I hope;
my soul waits for the Lord
more than watchmen for the morning,
more than watchmen for the morning.**

Leader: O Israel, hope in the LORD!
For with the LORD there is steadfast love,
and with Him is plentiful redemption.

People: **And He will redeem Israel
from all His iniquities.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Leader: O Israel, hope in the LORD!
For with the LORD there is steadfast love,
and with Him is plentiful redemption.

EPISTLE *2 Corinthians 4:13–5:1*

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

VERSE *Psalms 127:1a*

Leader: Alleluia. Unless the LORD builds the house, those who build it labor in vain.
People: **those who build it labor in vain. Alleluia.**

HOLY GOSPEL *Mark 3:20–35*

Leader: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the third chapter.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

(The Gospel is read.)

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

CREED

Nicene Creed

People: I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life † of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY "I Know That My Redeemer Lives" #461

SERMON

MEDITATION

Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Leader: Having heard the call of God's grace, let us come near to His throne of grace with prayers on behalf of ourselves and all people according to their needs.

Silence for prayer.

Leader: Make Your Church one family, a people born again of Your promise in baptismal water, who believe in You and who delight in Your mercies, and sustain them in faith until that day when we shall dwell in Your presence forevermore. Lord, in Your mercy,
People: **hear our prayer.**

Leader: Give courage and strength to all pastors and church workers who serve Your people in Your name, grant success to the proclamation of the Gospel, and guide Your Church through the Holy Spirit to be faithful amid persecution and steadfast against temptation. Lord, in Your mercy,
People: **hear our prayer.**

Leader: Bless our president, Congress, governor, legislature, and all who make, administer, and judge our laws, that they lead with wisdom and serve with integrity on behalf of all people, and particularly for the unborn. Lord, in Your mercy,
People: **hear our prayer.**

Leader: Bless the fruits of the earth and those who tend the fields on our behalf, bless all honest labor and industry, and give inspiration and grace to those who serve us with the arts and music. Lord, in Your mercy,
People: **hear our prayer.**

Leader: Give to all families grace to love one another, that husbands and wives live in fidelity toward each other and show compassionate care to their children. Bless all women in childbirth and sustain the aged in strength of body and mind. Lord, in Your mercy,
People: **hear our prayer.**

Leader: Rally the nations to peace that all peoples enjoy the protection of law, the gift of liberty, and the freedom to live fruitful, upright, and godly lives; bring an end to all oppression, acts of terror, and violence. Lord, in Your mercy,
People: **hear our prayer.**

Leader: Deliver the sick from the burdens of the flesh and grant them healing according to Your will, give peace to those troubled in mind, deliver the dying into Your everlasting arms, and comfort the grieving with hope, [*especially . . . and those we name in our hearts . . .*]. Lord, in Your mercy,
People: **hear our prayer.**

Leader: Make us a generous people that we willingly share the resources You have given with those in need and for the support of Your Church and the good work of Your kingdom. Lord, in Your mercy,
People: **hear our prayer.**

Leader: Prepare us to receive Your blessed gifts in this Holy Communion that we eat the bread of Christ's flesh and drink the cup of His blood with faith and repentance and show forth its fruits in our daily lives. Lord, in Your mercy,
People: **hear our prayer.**